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"TRADES" UNIONISM"

PAN-PACIFIC SECRETARIAT

CLASS-WAR CREED

How Truth is Distorted: Kidnapping Upheld!

"WHITE TERROR" OF LAW AND ORDER

Supported by adversity of facts, a treatise is given here with which tends to prove that there is foreign influence behind the sinister attempts of Communists to stir up trouble out here under the guise of trades unionism.

What is being done by the moderates and extremists is described. Reference is made to the Hong Kong Seamen's Strike of 1922 and the anti-Hong Kong Boycott of 1926. And it is definitely stated that the Pan-Pacific Secretariat, with headquarters now in Hankow, plays a big part in the plotting and in the dissemination of a class-war creed based on a curious, illogical distortion of truth. To this Secretariat is affiliated a portion of the Labour movement in countries peopled by the white race, declares a writer who calls himself "Fung Shui."

REVOLUTIONARY ORIGIN

That furtive organisation, the Pan-Pacific Secretariat, has moved its headquarters from Shanghai to Hankow. The reason given is that the "White Terror" established at Shanghai provides an uncongenial atmosphere for the furtherance of its ideals. The "White Terror" is, of course, nothing of the sort. It is certainly bloody enough, but is actually an attempt by the international leaseholders and the Chinese capitalists to maintain some semblance of law and order in an area which was rapidly relapsing into chaos.

With Impunity

One of the staple industries of Shanghai is kidnapping. If you want funds for a revolutionary organisation, you rent a house outside the foreign settlement, stroll over after dark and seize the first likely-looking Chinese merchant you run across.

Out of reach of the Settlement police, you can retain the gentleman with impunity while you arrange about the ransom. If he turns out to have no assets, you let him go, first snipping a piece out of his ear, so that future kidnappers won't waste their time over him; this is known as giving him a flesh-ticket.

Bright Lights

If he has money and his relations are slow in coming to the point, a finger or toe of the captive pushed under a relation's door will often work wonders.

It was Chen Chi-mei, a highly respected revolutionary, who showed the possibilities of kidnapping in the early days of the Republic by lifting a Korean prince from the hotel in which he was staying. The prince, well pickled, was invited to step out and see the bright lights of the Poochow-road—and woke up in a dungeon in the native city. The funds thus extracted became the sinews of the civil war which happened shortly after.

"Logical" Conclusion

As Nationalist sentiment spread, the idea became current that wealthy natives sheltered in the foreign settlements to evade taxation, and that kidnapping them was a patriotic duty, like income-tax assessment.

Finally, extreme trades unionists carried the argument to its logical conclusion. They argued that the native capitalist had no right to evade the application of their socialistic principles by hiding behind foreign policemen. Several of the more radical unions owe their present favourable financial position to energetic kidnapping.

Lately the exasperated foreign police have extended their pursuit of the kidnappers beyond the Settlement boundaries, despite patriotic protests. Recently no less than 90 of them were in the municipal gaol awaiting execution.

Principal Plank

The Settlement police have thus made the environs of Shanghai more

difficult for lawbreakers; which explains why the Pan-Pacific Secretariat has moved to Hankow. Hankow is one of three great industrial cities clustered together in mutual slumminess 600 miles up the Yangtze River. It is the depot for the Siberian fur and the Russian brick-tea trade, and communication by river, rail and coolie track with Soviet territory is excellent. It is the natural centre of China, much more so than Peking or even Nanking. It is thus admirably situated for the spreading of Communism through China, and a general Communist revolution, to begin in China, is the principal plank of the Secretariat, according to its printed constitution.

Hankow is also minus a British concession, that having been handed over to the Chinese authorities nearly two years ago. The absence of a British police force would undoubtedly be regarded as a blessing by the Pan-Pacific plotters.

Chinese Repudiation

The interesting thing about the organisation is that the Chinese trades unionists themselves repudiate it. Trades unionism in China is older than the Republic; the unanimity with which rich-cha-coolies in Singapore downed shafts as one man in the past suggests that unionism is ingrained in the Celestial.

The Tongshan coal-mines in Chihli province evolved the first modern trades union. It now has 30,000 members, its own schools, reading-rooms and periodicals.

The unions of Canton number over 100, more or less merged into One Big Union. They have scored some notable victories, including the marine strike of 1922, which tied up 280,000 tons of shipping in Hong Kong; and the boycott of 1926, which inflicted enormous losses on that militarily invulnerable British outpost.

Mainly in Hiding

Since the National Government decided to recognise and legalise the unions instead of chopping their heads off, the moderates have been in the ascendant. A conference representing 14 million unionists which met at Canton passed resolutions about co-operation, workers' education and arbitration. The section which advocates the class war, sabotage and world revolution is, like the Pan-Pacific Secretariat, in hiding.

LOCAL PENSIONS

WIDOWS OF TEMPORARY OFFICERS

GRATUITY CONDITIONS

"A gratuity at the rate of one month's salary in respect of each complete period of three years' service may be granted to the widow of any officer who has continuously served on the temporary establishment of the Colony for not less than three years and who at the date of his death was in receipt of a salary not exceeding \$420 per annum."

Clause 19 in the local Government's Pension Minute is cancelled and the foregoing has taken its place, announces the "Gazette."

HIS MAJESTY'S HEALTH

RESTFUL SLEEP

GENERAL STRENGTH BEING MAINTAINED

MORE OPTIMISTIC TONE

A British official wireless message from London yesterday, 8 p.m., states:—

This morning's bulletin after stating that the King had had some restful sleep and that his general strength was maintained added that further investigation of the right side of the chest would be undertaken during the day. It was subsequently announced that an x-ray examination of the patient had been carried out.

This was the second examination of the King. The first was conducted by Dr. Graham Hodgson, of King's College Hospital, and was undertaken in the first stages of illness. Dr. Hodgson again carried out the work to-day.

Regarded as "Good"

London, Yesterday.

Reuter says:—
The bulletin issued at 11.30 this morning states that the King had some restful sleep and his general strength is maintained. A further investigation of the right side of the chest will be undertaken during the day.

STANLEY HEWETT.

Dawson of Penn.

No significance is attached to the late issue of the morning bulletin. It is authoritatively stated that the bulletin is definitely regarded as good. One of the doctors is at present concentrating his attention on the infection of the right side.

Radiographs

Radiographs of the King again were taken at Buckingham Palace this afternoon. The Red Cross radiographic car was drawn up in the precincts of the Palace and a cable led into the King's bedroom.

It is understood that this x-ray investigation, which was carried out by Dr. Graham Hodgson, who performed the previous one, was for the purpose of examining the right side of the chest, where bacteriological infection had become localised and defined.

Situation Less Anxious

"His Majesty's symptoms are improving and the situation is less anxious," says a message from Buckingham Palace, signed by the Private Secretary and received by the Norfolk Yeomanry Old Comrades' Association in reply to a message hoping for the King's speedy recovery.

The Prince's Kit

Sir Godfrey Thomas, principal private secretary to the Prince of Wales, has left for Brindisi to meet the Prince. Sir Godfrey is conveying a complete outfit of clothing as the Prince in his rush home is almost without kit.

More Hopeful Tone

A more hopeful tone is creeping into authoritative public utterances. For example, Sir Robert Armstrong Jones described this morning's bulletin as the most comforting since the King's illness.

Lord Lee of Fareham to-night said that owing to medical science there was now every prospect of a speedy and happy recovery.

The Duke

The Duke of Gloucester sailed from Capetown for home in the liner "Balmoral Castle" this afternoon. A large crowd assembled at the quayside to witness His Royal Highness' departure and heartily cheered him.

Warmly Welcomed

Reuter says:—

The Duke of Gloucester arrived at Capetown in the early morning yesterday. He sailed aboard the "Balmoral Castle" in the afternoon. Wherever possible the people of South Africa, English, Dutch, black and white alike, have accorded the Duke of Gloucester remarkable and unrehearsed welcomes during his dash to Capetown. As an instance at Beaufort West, the capital of Karroo, a crowd collected at the railway station, headed by the town clerk, a veteran Dutchman, who conveyed their greetings and sympathy, and drank to the honour of the Duke in welcoming other Royalties on various occasions. Natives formed a picturesque background to the demonstration of loyalty.

At intervals through the long railway journey from North Rhodesia the Duke descended from the train to take walking exercise. To his regret it was night when the train passed the Boer war battlefields.

His staff state that the Duke's greatest feat on his hunting trip was the bagging of a black maned lion.

GIGANTIC FRENCH FRAUD

\$600,000!

ONE OF THE MOST COLLOSAL SWINDLES

BIG SENSATION

Paris, Yesterday.

Financial and political circles experienced, in the arrest of Madame Marthe Hanau and her divorced husband, Lazare Bloch, in connection with what is described as one of the most colossal financial swindles in French records.

Both are accused of huge frauds at the expense of small investors. Madame directed a vast share in the investment organisation of the Paris "Gazette du Franc" founded in 1926 with the avowed idea of restoring public confidence in the franc.

The "Gazette" boasted the shares of her companies, published articles by several ministers and well-known authorities and once the front page was devoted to a letter from M. Poincare.

The crash came when inquiries were opened on her proposal to issue bonds of 170,000,000 francs at a high interest.

An examination of the books, alleged to show an uncovered deficit of \$800,000.

It is alleged that a number of deputies are involved in the scandal. M. Poincare, in the Chamber, promised a thorough investigation which judging by the cartloads of documents seized at the "Gazette" office, will likely be of very protracted duration.—Reuter.

"FRESH, FAIR"

"Fresh N. E. winds, fair" is the forecast till noon tomorrow for Hong Kong and the south coast between Lantau, Gap Rock and Hainan. For Formosa Channel it is "strong N. E. winds."

1929 HOLIDAYS

OFFICIAL LIST FOR NEXT YEAR

SAME AS BEFORE

The list of official holidays for next year is published in the "Government Gazette." It is the same as before, including 14 days, exclusive of Sundays. There has been talk of doing away with the "second Monday in October" and substituting October 10 (China's National Day) but nothing seems to have been done. In the list below, those which do not concern the Police Magistrate's department are denoted by an asterisk.

Jan. 1, Tuesday, New Year.
Feb. 11, Monday, China New Year.
Feb. 12, Tuesday, China New Year.
March 20, Good Friday.
March 30, Saturday.
April 1, Easter Sunday.
May 20, Whit Monday.
June 3, Monday, H.M. the King's Birthday.
July 1, Monday.
Aug. 6, Monday.
Oct. 14, Monday.
Nov. 11, Monday, Armistice Day.
Dec. 25, Wednesday, Christmas Day.
Dec. 26, Thursday, Boxing Day.
The Imports and Exports Departments will be open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on all holidays except Sundays, Feb. 11, March 29, and Dec. 25.
May 24, Friday, Empire Day is a public holiday.

"JOY RIDE"

ENDS IN DISASTER AND COURT PROCEEDINGS

A new taxi belonging to the New Taxi Co., crashed outside the Dragon Motor Garage at Wongnui-chong this morning and was damaged to the extent of \$700.

It was alleged that it was taken out of its garage in Russell-street by two young car cleaners, for a "joy ride." The taxi first collided with and damaged a private rickshaw and then swerved and ran into the wall of the Dragon Garage.

The two boys were arrested and charged before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., at the Central Magistracy this morning.

They were remanded until Monday morning.

TRAGIC DEATH OF MR. E. SHELLIM

A FORMER TAI PAN

SUCCUMBS AFTER FALL FROM HIS HORSE

EX-CHAIRMAN OF THE BANK

The "China Mail" records with much regret the death of Mr. Edward Shellim, a former Hong Kong tai pan.

Mr. Shellim was very prominent in Hong Kong business and formerly manager in Hong Kong of Messrs. David Sassoon & Co. He fell from his horse while riding at Brighton, says Reuter, and died.

Mr. Shellim was 59 years of age. He is survived by his wife, nee Miss Howard, the daughter of another former manager of Messrs. David Sassoon's and there is one daughter.

After about 30 years' residence in the Colony, Mr. Shellim retired in the autumn of 1918, being succeeded by Mr. A. H. Compton, the present manager. Mr. Shellim went to Shanghai for a year or two and then settled down at Home.

Member of Council

Mr. Shellim was an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, an unofficial Justice of the Peace and an elected member of the Licensing Board.

He had been chairman of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and was director for many years. He was a director of Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., Central Estates, Ltd., Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.; a member of the consulting committee of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.

Among other activities Mr. Shellim served as member of the committee of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, member of the War Charities General Committee, member of the committee of Sailors' Home, chairman of the Finance Committee of Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, and president of "Omel Leah" Synagogue.

NAVAL CRUISE

FLAGSHIP RETURNING FROM JAPAN

DUE ON WEDNESDAY

The visit of the British 5th Cruiser Squadron to Japanese waters, has concluded.

H.M.S. "Kent" (flagship) and H.M.S. "Berwick" left Yokohama yesterday for Hong Kong, and are due here on Wednesday.

H.M.S. "Suffolk" left Yokohama to-day for Woussong, the port of Shanghai.

H.M.S. "Hermes," the aircraft carrier, left Jesselton yesterday and arrived at Kudat in the course for her southern cruise.

PROHIBITION

U.S. SPENDING

\$13,500,000

Washington, Yesterday.

"Wet" battalions" were responsible for a heated debate in the House of Representatives, terminating the passage of a bill appropriating \$13,500,000 to administer prohibition.—Reuter's American Service.

AERO ENGINE

PAISED HIGHLY BY BERT HINKLER

London, Yesterday.

Squadron Leader Bert Hinkler, at night, discussed some of his experiences during his memorable flight to Australia in 15½ days, when he flew throughout on an Avro Avian light aeroplane with only a 38 h.p. Cirrus engine. He paid a handsome tribute to his aircraft and engine, which had already covered 15,000 miles before he left England, and which had covered some 40,000 miles without, so far as he could see, any deterioration.—British Wireless Service.

Wellington, Yesterday. — The Coates Government has resigned as a sequel to the defeat of the Government by 50 votes to 28 on a motion of non-confidence, proposed by Mr. Ward of the United Party, in which Labour joined.—Reuter.

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse.

One of our headmasters complains about the amount of office work he has to do. Well, it's part of his job to fill up forms, isn't it?

"Empty House Ablaze." Nothing in it.

A deserted wife may suffer agony, but it is never untold agony.

Given a few more big Criminal Sessions cases, this would be a good year for Bar gains.

"Peer Who Worked in Shop." Is his motto "I serve?"

A man had a \$285 call to New York from London. Money talks.

Gushes a writer-up of fashion notes in the Daily Press: "These are fans from Paris, which is quite autre chose!"

A fire took place at the baths at Marshall-street, London. Hot baths!

"Plain Hair Carpets." A plain hair carpet goes well with a single bedded room.

Extracts from the China Mail:—The record of the rainfall, during November at the Botanic Gardens, is as follows:—

Date	Inch
Nov. 20 2
" 24 2
" 26 0.6
" 27

A hundredweight would be better if it fell on the head of the compositor who set that.

Dr. Norwood, of Harrow, says that schoolboys are being made into parrots. Whereas they love larks.

A paper tells us that bucket shops are active again. All summer it has been the turn of the bucket and spade shops.

Headline, "Treasury's weak points?" As black as they are painted?

A dear old lady who has been reading about the "fery wickets" of Australia says she now understands about those ashes.

New records—not by cricketers, but gramophone manufacturers.

When at the Volunteer Camp Don't ask an artilleryman what a "dry battery" is.

"Violeta—Should Be Carefully Lifted." In fact, you can't be too careful if the keeper is about.

It is now as easy to sleep in a third class railway compartment as in a third class House of Commons.

Reading between the lines "Spectator" keeps a good eye on "Cover Point."

The Cooks' Championship—The Taste Match.

"Honeymoon by Air." After one of those marriages in high society?

The counter-revolution threatened in Russia is not one of shop assistants.

All lights at King's Cross went out the other day. No wonder King's cross.

The fellow who says he would share his last dollar with you relies on your not waiting till he gets it.

The protest against the peril of dumps continues. But some people are always in the dumps.

People wishing to grow fat are advised to eat "dry cereal foods." And to read funny serial stories!

In a hotel lounge we heard a woman say that nagging had its points. And sharp ones, too.

Dean Inge suggests that Saint George was a dishonest army contractor. Why? Did he get the O.B.E.?

A couple were married at Gretna Green by match-light. A well-matched pair.

On Wednesday, the S. C. M. Post said anent the Test Match:—"Jardine was 65 not out, top score in second innings." A part of the score, taken from the same page, reads:—

England—2nd Innings
C. P. Mead, l.b.w., Gimmett ... 72
D. R. Jardine, not out 65
..... Is That So?

Elsewhere on that page, a sports writer said:—"The night sub-editor has been almost driven to distraction and will be very glad when it is all over."—We agree. Then he'll be able to do either subtraction or addition.

There is to be a theatre in Whitehall. We have always said that there is nothing really amusing about Government offices.

"Five thousand British wives wanted," read the bad man from his newspaper. "Well, they can have mine, for a start."

From a story, "She came in wearing a look of astonishment." Some climate, that.

Who says that theatre managers do not read plays? Clayton and Waller have just produced one which they wrote themselves.

Modern girls are so expert at make-up that they would laugh at the idea of being merely "two-faced."

"A great deal of work has been going on in the House of Commons since Parliament rose in August," says a gossip. This looks like a nasty snarl on the legislators.

Miss Marion Lorne made a hit in a new play at the St. Martin's. In fact, the audience were all for Lorne!

Don't tell a man with an ugly nasal organ that something is "as plain as the nose on his face."

Your sympathy is invited for the writer of pantomimes, who is unable to follow his vocation. He has lost his memory.

All sorts of amusements are provided on ocean liners now. In stormy weather the passengers can watch the ship pitch and toss.

In New York all the actors and actresses performing in a play were arrested. Dramatic criticism hasn't got to that stage in England.

A Dr. Tatman, of the U.S.A., has invented a cure for black eyes. A non-pugnistic correspondent suggests that prevention is better than cure.

"I love you, mummy," lisped the child, is a sentence in a new serial. You try lisping a sentence without an s in it, and see how difficult it is.

Dorothy Black writes on "Dangerous Women." What other sort is there?

A headline reads "Hunt Balls." It looks rather like an injunction to novice at golf.

Walter Ashley opines that the s of theatre seats must be brought down. In the meantime it is put down.

Thirty years ago a "pedestrian" was a professional walker; now the term means everybody who isn't a motor-car owner.

A writer on marriage customs says, "French girls are not allowed to marry whom they please." And as they haven't much chance of marrying whom they displease, what are they to do, poor dears?

This was told me the other day during a discussion on our public utility companies. It was getting dark and a man was still working hard on a street excavation. An inquirer asked who employed him. "Electric Co.," came the reply. "And why the hurry?" "The man with the shovel shot back: 'It's Friday and we've got to re-set the road surface because the Gas Co. is coming along to dig up on Monday'."

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AT AMOY**

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.
No. 3 of 1928
re TAIT & CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that there will be a Meeting
of Creditors of the Above-named
Debtor Firm at 10 in the forenoon
in the Court Room at H.B.M. Con-
sulate, Amoy, on FRIDAY, 14th
day of December, 1928. Creditors
wishing to attend should send in
their claims to the undersigned, at
the firm's address, Amoy.
Dated this 28th day of Novem-
ber, 1928.

W. D. RUSSELL, A.C.A.,
Receiver.

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AT AMOY**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Above Named Court
has appointed the 13th day of De-
cember, 1928, at 10 o'clock in the
forenoon for proceeding with the
Public Examination of the Above-
named Debtor Firm in the Court
Room at H.B.M. Consulate, Amoy.
Dated this 28th day of Novem-
ber, 1928.

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**IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT
AT AMOY**

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928.

IN the matter of TAIT & COM-
PANY, Debtors
Whereas an order dated 16th Octo-
ber, 1928, was made against the
above debtors on the petition of
JAMES LARDEN BROMFIELD re-
presenting himself to be the Sole
Partner.

And whereas it now appears that
FREDERICK BROUGHAM MAR-
SHALL is still a partner in the
Debtor Firm.

Now upon concurrence of the
said FREDERICK BROUGHAM
MARSHALL in the said petition.
It is ordered that the receiving
order of 16th October, 1928, be
amended to include FREDERICK
BROUGHAM MARSHALL as part-
ner in TAIT & COMPANY.

Dated this 26th day of Novem-
ber, 1928.

By the Court,
H. H. BRISTOW,
Provincial Judge.

**FANLING HUNT
STEEPLECHASES**

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EXHIBITION.

EXHIBITION OF PEARLS: Mr.
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his exhibition of pearls at Messrs.
Komor & Komor. See advertise-
ment on the 15th.

THEATRE ROYAL

December 14th, 15th, 17th, 18th,
21st and 22nd at 9 p.m.

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total quantity, total consumption
and consumption per capita—is
down. And everything in Kowloon
is up.

The foregoing refers, of course,
to the water return published by the
Public Works Department for last
month. The position, needing as
it does drastic rationing on the
island, can be appreciated at a
glance.

The water in storage is down by
500,000,000 gallons; but it is up by
50,000,000 gallons in Kowloon.
Rainfall, as is to be expected now,
is much below normal.

Estimates by the Water Authority
of population, ridiculously below
what they are (and thereby tending
to show more consumption per head
than is really the case) make inter-
esting reading:—

	Nov. 30 1927	Nov. 30 1928
Hong Kong	417,080	427,400
Kowloon	162,760	187,800
	579,840	595,200

Level and Storage of water in Re-
servoirs on December 1, 1928:—

	1927	1928
Tyiam	9' 4" B	15' 2" B
Tyiam Bywash	19' 10" B	25' 2" B
Tyiam Intermediate	L	0' 2" B
Tyiam Tuk	11' 9" B	34' 11" B
Wong Nei Chung	12' 1" B	20' 7" B
Pokfulum	17' 1" B	21' 9" B

(Note: B denotes "Below Overflow";
A denotes "Above Overflow"; L de-
notes "Level with Overflow")
Storage in millions and Decimals
of gallons.

	1927	1928
Tyiam	309.88	268.38
Tyiam Bywash	2.78	.56
Tyiam Intermediate	105.09	194.06
Tyiam Tuk	1,146.25	707.33
Wong Nei Chung	16.52	9.45
Pokfulum	29.94	21.15

Total 1,701.25 1,201.83
Consumption of water in the City
and Hill District in millions and de-
cimals of gallons during the month of
November.

	1927	1928
Consumption	233.83	196.17
Estimated population 417,080		427,400
Consumption per head	22.7	15.3

Full Supply in all Rider Main Dis-
tricts during November 1927 with the
exception of the districts West of
Eastern Street where an intermittent
supply was given from November 18
to 30, 1927. Services to houses in
the Rider Main Districts were discon-
nected and a supply was given by
public street fountains daily during
November 1928.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	8' 7" B	0' 10" B
Shek Lai Pui Reser- voir	0' 5" B	1' 10" B
Reception Reservoir	0' 7" B	—

Storage of millions and decimals
of gallons.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	269.00	343.84
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	99.10	108.66
Reception Reservoir	31.61	—

Total 399.71 452.50
Consumption of water in Kowloon
in millions and decimals of gallons
during the month of November.

	1927	1928
Consumption	93.41	105.21
Estimated population 162,760		187,800
Consumption per head	19.1	20.9

Full Supply in all districts during
November 1927 and 1928.
The Government Analyst's reports
show that the quality of the water is
satisfactory.
Total rainfall to November 30, 1927,
106.50, November 30, 1928, 71.14.

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AKI MARU Wednesday, 23rd January.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.

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NEW YORK via PANAMA.

ASUKA MARU Wednesday, 12th December.

TAKAOKA MARU Monday, 31st December.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.

DAKAR MARU Friday, 21st December.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

CEYLON MARU Monday, 10th December.

MOROKA MARU Sunday, 16th December.

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KASHIMA MARU Monday, 10th December.

HAKODATE MARU Tuesday, 18th December.

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SAIGON.

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SIR GEORGE McLAREN BROWN'S
STATEMENT

DE-LUXE LINER

Southampton.—Sir George McLaren Brown, K.B.E., European general manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., who left Southampton recently with Lady McLaren Brown for the first stage of a world tour in the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of France," had some interesting remarks to make concerning the contract for the new liner.

In an interview he said:—
"This vessel will be a de-luxe liner in every sense of the word, for she will offer spacious state-rooms for first-class passengers in addition to roomy quarters for both tourist and third-class. Although I cannot mention the question of cost, I can say that, together with the 'Empress of Japan,' the order for which was placed only a few weeks ago, the expenditure incurred in respect of these two ships will run very near to \$5,000,000, which will bring the aggregate expenditure of the C.P.R. on new ships since the war to nearly \$17,000,000.

"Altogether something like \$25,000,000 has been expended by us with British shipbuilders, and our programme during the past two years has included four 20,000 tons Duchess class liners; five super-freight carriers, each of 10,000 tons; four Pacific coastwise steamers, and now two luxury vessels of the Empress class.

"The Empress of Britain," the new vessel which we have now ordered for the Atlantic service, will be driven by steam turbines and will develop such speed as will enable us to still further develop the traffic of our Atlantic service. Thus it will be easily possible for any passenger leaving Southampton to cross the Quebec and thence proceed by our special trains to such places as Chicago as quickly as it will be possible to reach the same destination by the fastest ship engaged on the New York service. This is due to the shorter passage and the entire trip from a British port to Chicago will occupy no more than eight days.

Unparalleled Service to the Orient
"The new 40,000 ton 'Empress' will also enable us to furnish an unparalleled service to the Orient, for it will be possible for passengers travelling by the 'Empress of Britain' on the Atlantic service, crossing Canada by our railroad, and thence voyaging to Hong Kong from Vancouver by our new 'Pacific Empress,' the 'Empress of Japan,' to reach the Orient in record time.

"From London to Yokohama will take approximately 17 days, as compared with 19½ days at present, and there will be no other system of communication which will approach the C.P.R. travel combination which will be made possible when these new ships are placed in commission.

"The new 'Empress of Britain' will be associated with the 'Empress of Australia' and 'Empress of Scotland' on the Southampton-Quebec service, for no limitation in draft or tonnage is necessary in respect of vessels using Quebec, although our Duchess class liner, plying to Montreal, are about the largest steamers which can enter that port.

"The Empress of France," which is now going to Hong Kong, will relieve the 'Empress of Canada,' which will return to Great Britain for reconstruction, but she will, upon completion, return to the Pacific service, when the 'Empress of France' will also return to the Atlantic trade.

Voyage Alterations

"Of course, the policy of the Canadian Pacific executive for many years has been to develop its Canadian service as to act as an inducement to passengers visiting not only Canada, but also the United States, to travel via the St. Lawrence. This is undoubtedly the most attractive method of reaching the North American continent from Europe, for in addition to the much shorter sea voyage entailed there is also the additional attraction of the passage up the 1,000 miles of the marvellous St. Lawrence River.

"The Canadian Pacific Company established its name as a steamship owner and operator in the Pacific as early as 1887, and became famous the world over for its white 'Empresses' between Hong Kong, Japan and Vancouver. The company has an attractive Trans-Pacific fleet in the 'Empress of Russia,' 'Empress of Asia,' and 'Empress of Canada,' which will be augmented

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DOUBLE DECKS

An excellent opportunity of demonstrating the flexibility of the electric drive for ships has been afforded by the completion of the double-ended, shallow-draught, Diesel-electric ferry boat built by Messrs. Yarrow and Company, Limited, Scotstoun, Glasgow, to the Argentine Government.

She will be used for carrying motor vehicles, passengers, &c., on the River Parana, and has a length of 145 ft., with a beam of 39 ft. 6 in., while the draught, when fully loaded, is 4 ft. 5 in., the displacement then being 340 tons. As exceptionally good manoeuvring qualities were required for the vessel, it was decided to employ twin screws at each end, and to obtain the highest propulsive efficiency, tests were carried out for Messrs. Yarrow in the William Froude Experimental Tank at the National Physical Laboratory to ascertain the best position for the propellers and the power required under various conditions, as well as to determine the best form of hull. It is claimed that the arrangement of the screws adopted, in conjunction with the electric drive, enables the vessel to be handled with greater facility than is possible with any other method of propulsion, and that, in consequence, a notable increase in speed is obtained when navigating difficult and crowded waterways. The guaranteed speed of the vessel was 17 km. (10½ miles) per hour; but, on the six hours' official trial, carried out recently, a speed of over 18 km. (11½ miles) per hour was obtained.

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Glasgow.—The new "Canadian Pacific" vessel will rank next to the "Aquitania" as the largest built on the Clyde. Her construction will give employment to several thousands of men for a period of nearly three years.

During the past twelve months Messrs. John Brown and Co. have had a very active association with the "Canadian Pacific." They have constructed three 20,000-ton "Duchess" liners for the Atlantic and a small passenger vessel for the British Columbia service.

Recently the Canadian Pacific Company placed an order with the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., Ltd., Govan, for a liner of 25,000 tons, and from the same yard the small passenger vessel "Princess Nora" was launched for the same owners.

The keel of the vessel will be laid on the berth from which the "Lusitania," the "Aquitania," and H.M.S. "Hood" were launched.

Captain James Gilles, C.B.E., manager of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., was present at the Montreal conference which placed the order. It is understood that tenders were received from half a dozen British firms.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The Ben Line s.s. "Benrinnes" from Middlesbrough, London and Straits left Singapore for this port on Wednesday, and is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The B.I. s.s. "Talma" left Singapore for this port on Dec. 5 afternoon, and is due here on Dec. 12 morning.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Colombo on Thursday at 6 a.m., left Colombo at 4 p.m., and is due at Port Said on Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France" from Hong Kong on Nov. 28, left Yokohama on Thursday, and is due at Vancouver on Dec. 15.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benarty" from Europe, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here on Dec. 16.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Dec. 1, and is due here on Dec. 20. She will sail for Manila on Dec. 21 at 5 p.m.

The M.V. s.s. "Ceylon" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Dunkirk on Nov. 15, and is due here on or about Dec. 24.

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EMPRESS OF ASIA	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Jan. 31	Feb. 9
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 21	Feb. 29
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 6	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 13
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 27

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It is true that "Zeppelins" have made long journeys, have carried considerable, though not profitable, cargoes, in which category we will include passengers, and have successfully weathered storms. But is that accomplishment sufficient to justify a statement that the "Zeppelin" will ever become a reliable and commercially profitable vehicle of transport. The watchword of the shipowner, especially in these days of rapid communication by cable and wireless, is and ever will be "reliability," with its corollaries "safety" and "prompt despatch and delivery." Can these be secured by the "Zeppelin"?

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It is in this respect analogous to the submarine, except that the medium in which it floats is not of uniform density. All means of controlling the submarine at a desired depth by the use of ballast failed entirely, and it was only when it was realised that depth could only be sustained by its diving rudders by reason of its motion ahead that the submarine became a successful and practical vessel. In the same way, but in a less degree it is true, maintenance of an airship at any desired altitude in still air is not easy by adjustment of its buoyancy.

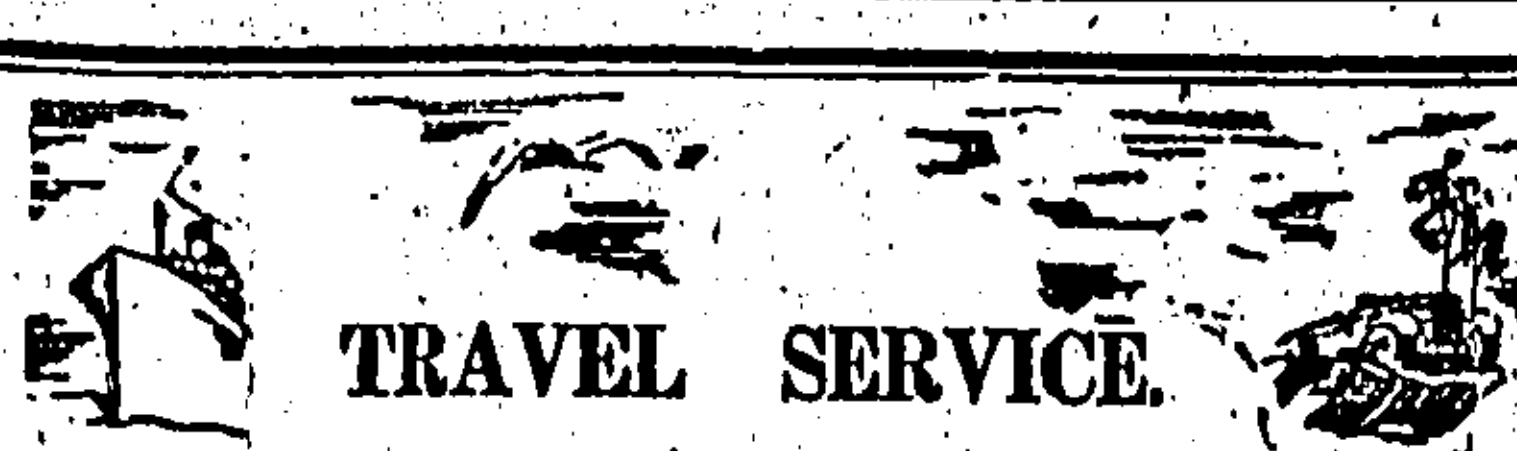
This, it will be said, is not a serious matter, and has not the same importance as in a submarine. This is true so long as the air is still, but it is a very different matter when, as is so often the case, that there are strong vertical currents moving in a more or less vertical direction. The airship is carried bodily along with such currents and cannot use with any appreciable effect or degree of satisfaction adjustment of its buoyancy as a means of correcting such vertical movement within narrow limits of within comfortable limits (this no doubt was the cause of much of the discomfort experienced by the passengers on its outward voyage if the reports received are substantially true).

Control

As has been stated above, the submarine secures its stability of motion in the vertical plane by its speed ahead, but this means is not open to the "Zeppelin" when in a vertical current of air (i.e., the familiar air pockets), for the current is at right angles to its path, and speed ahead gives it no control worth talking about for maintaining altitude. Then again the "Zeppelin" has not the advantage of control afforded by the screw propellers' action upon the horizontal rudders as in the submarine, for the propellers are placed under the envelope, so that any control is confined to the pressures on the rudders due to the speed ahead. The submarine can avoid vertical currents in the ocean, even if they exist, because they would be charted. We cannot chart the air for vertical currents! The effect of an air pocket upon a heavier than air craft is sufficiently uncomfortable, but is not to be compared with the discomfort and the danger experienced by a "Zeppelin" in similar conditions. One shudders to think of an airship encountering a West Indian hurricane or a North Atlantic storm.

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HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO NANKING

Nanking, Yesterday.

Sir Miles Lampson arrived at Pukow this afternoon, and was met by the British Consular officials, Dr. C. T. Wang, and others. Sir Miles Lampson held a short conference with Dr. Wang aboard the train, after which both crossed to Nanking aboard H.M.S. "Cockchafer."

To-night Dr. Wang will be the host at a large banquet, at which Sir Miles Lampson and the Swedish Charge d'Affaires, who is now at Nanking, will be guests of honour. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and the presidents of five "yuans" are expected to be present.

To-morrow, Sir Miles Lampson is calling on Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and on Monday is holding the first formal meeting with Dr. Wang.—Reuter.

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those of air. Does not this figure convey a significance which points to the extreme difficulty of the solution of the problem of passengers by airship and the expense and extravagance involved by the State in fostering such a method of transport? If the Government has an ulterior motive by which it hopes to secure a military weapon, should they not embody the grant they make to this civil aviation in the Navy or Army Estimates?

The factors here set out do not include the provision of harbours, moorings, and other port appliances and auxiliaries, which are costly to a degree, out of all proportion to the results to be achieved. The factors are fundamental and inherent to the problem and not ancillary to it.—"Journal of Commerce."

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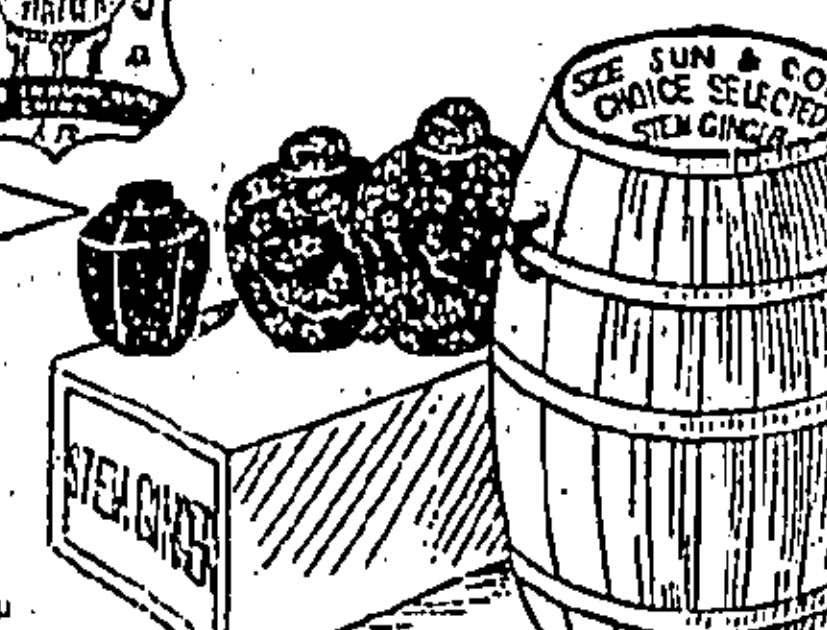
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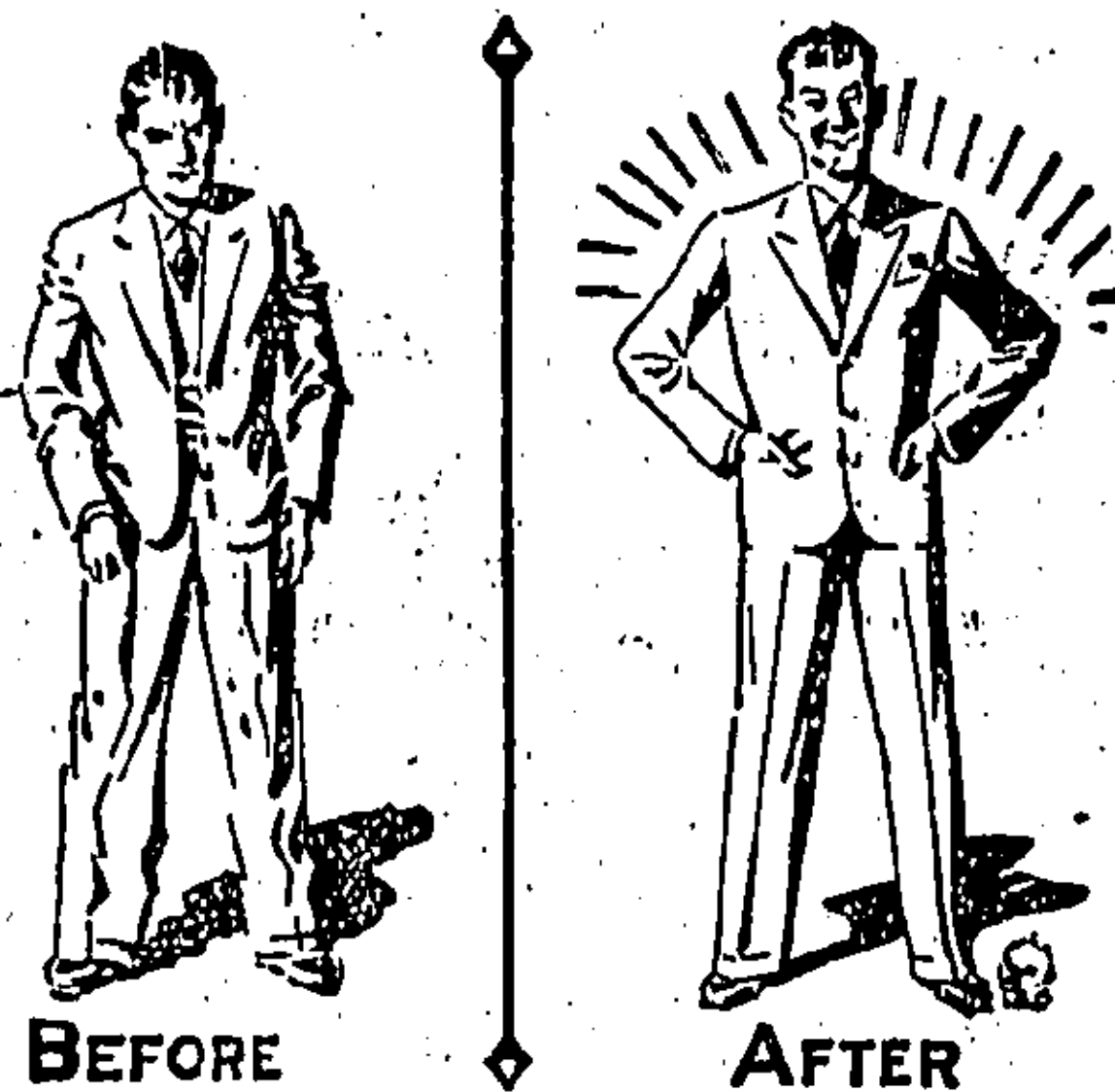
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A LOOK AROUND

[By The Mail Men]

He was a big, blustering man, Judge who kept race ponies for fun, but, nevertheless, did not relish being beaten when he had his money on. And the kind of language he would use on these occasions was well-known. Last Saturday he put several friends on "the good thing" that romped home a furlong behind the rest. The friends thought they would be well recompensed for their loss, if they were present when the owner greeted the jockey, so they all gathered round when the horse returned, and the jockey was unbuckling the girth to remove the saddle. The old man looked at him for a few minutes, and then said, "Well!" The rider looked at him, but evidently did not like the look in his eye, and continued fiddling with the saddle, whilst the friends were settling down to a nice entertainment. The owner spoke again. "Well!" he roared. "If you can't blame the starter why don't you blame the judge."

The formation of a ladies' club in at Kowloon is unique in the history of the Peninsula. The club is to be known as the Ladies' Club. Last Tuesday a meeting was held at the Vicarage, St. Andrew's Church when, with a good attendance, Mrs. W. Walton Rogers (wife of the Vicar) was elected President. Mrs. R. Baldwin was appointed hon. secretary and Miss Molly George, hon. treasurer. Members of the committee were elected as follows: Miss W. Robinson, Miss M. White, Miss M. Woolley, Miss Joan Black and Miss M. Bryson. The club will meet once a week, probably on Thursday. The object is a worthy one. The ladies say that they would like to have a debate on any subject of interest one evening and then, on another evening, a lecture by an educationalist on the subject of the debate.

Thinking I heard my Home Side wife's voice in the News No. 1 kitchen last night I VII—My paused a moment out-Birthday side the door. But I might have known. It was that boy again. As I gazed at the kitchen folk I immediately became interested. The coolie was talking to the wash-aman, probably discussing chow again. The boy seemed to have something on his mind. And as the cook entered the kitchen he brought to the table an old soap box and said, "Do sit down, dear, and let me get your slippers!" "Whassa matter you?" grunted the cook, looking at him suspiciously as he subsided on to the soap box. The boy, warmed up to his subject, rested his hand lightly on the cook's shoulder. "To-morrow's my birthday, dear," he said to the startled ruler of the cuisine. "Yesterday I saw the most divine little fur coat," continued my wife's voice as matter-of-factly as possible. "You go," muttered the cook as he threw a tea cloth at the boy. "You big brute," stormed the boy, "I'll go home to mother to-morrow."

The disgusted cook turned his back on him and said "Makee forget Mother, shut up more better," he added. The boy sighed and prepared to do as he was bid. "But it really is," he said again. "What side have hear all that stuff?" questioned the cook showing some interest. The boy brightened visibly. "Inside," he said. "Give me one of Master's cigars and tell me all about it," murmured the cook.

And he settled down to enjoy the story, first placing his feet on the table and leaning back against the wall. "Well, Master came home last night and she said that!" began my voice. "Was there a scene?" asked my wife's voice. "Oh, tellible things happened. Master said plenty bad things to the poor woman," and he shuddered delicately at the recollection. "Coarse man!" said the cook.

And for the time there was silence while they meditated upon my wickedness. "He's a Cave Man!" decided the boy at last. "Whassa dat?" demanded the cook sleepily. "One time I have go picshers, see foreign picsher, and have gottee this fashion man." "Like it?" asked the cook. "No, I have go to see Chinese picsher, but have go wrong time so I have see other piece. You tink so I no see enough of foreign fool? I go picshers for holiday," he added.

But the cook was far away in the North. Probably he was among the paddy fields that he loved, or sitting on the step of his little mud hut in the country listening to the song of his Tien-tsin lark, watching the works basking in the sunlight and the dirty but happy native children playing in the mud, or telling the man in charge of the vegetable store across the way that he had finished working for "foreign man." Whatever he was dreaming about, a smile passed over his fat, cheerful face, and he murmured in his sleep "watawata..."

The boy looking on at him with a sympathetic smile, although he did not understand the dialect, took my cigar out of the cook's mouth, murmuring in English, "Dear, dear, cook, how extravagant you are!" But somehow he could not finish it himself and put it in a pudding basin. The coolie and the amah continued their conversation in low tones with an occasional *aiyah* but after a time even that ceased and they crept away, one by one, till only the cook was left and his snoring vied with the buzzing of flies on the wind-dow. For was it not the time for siesta?

No mention of the Ambulance Corps would be complete without at least some reference to the good work done during the past few weeks. At the corner of busy thoroughfares, small tables have been fitted up for members of the Corps on voluntary vaccination duty. Needless to say, such steps are being taken as a sequel to the prevalence of small-pox. Vaccination in the streets is a matter of convenience for the lower classes who are too busy to proceed to a hospital or dispensary. An example is set to old-fashioned Chinese unwilling to be vaccinated. The number of people attended to is increasing day by day. I forget what the record is but I remember that it was formidable and highly praiseworthy. Mr. E. Ralphs, the Assistant Commissioner, appeared to be very glad on landing once more in Hong Kong on Thursday. So am I.

Opportunities to establish new shipping routes from Hong Kong are, I see, not being neglected. The recent Sino-Portuguese venture to Timor, via Macao, Saigon and Java, proved a failure but there is still talk of its revival. New Guinea is being mentioned now. I remember the pre-war days when an occasional ship was chartered to go out there. The

The Civil Service

Information concerning the Civil Service in Hong Kong has been given in these columns on previous weeks. At the end of this series will be found a number of very interesting paragraphs. Further articles about the Colonial Service, as it applies to Hong Kong, will appear on successive Saturdays in this column.

Chinese crew of one boat made a fortune by small sales to the natives of provisions, knick-knacks, etc. A fireman came back in his singlet, having sold every article of clothing he could. Now Messrs. Melchers & Co., general agents for the North German Lloyd of Bremen, are announcing a six-weekly direct service between Hong Kong and New Guinea, via Rabaul, Witu and Kaili (which are ports in the archipelago). Eventually it is hoped to call also at Iloilo, Port Moresby, Samarai, Kaewieng and Madang. The first ship leaves Hong Kong in the first half of February. I wonder whether there will be any adventures?

At the last K.C.R. Freight meeting of the Taipo District Council, the matter of the freight charges on the Kowloon Canton Railway, which are now based on kilograms per kilometre, was under discussion. It was decided to enquire from the railway what possible reason there could be in a British Colony for the adoption of weights and measures, which are not even British standard. The Council has been meanwhile advised that the whole of the Railway staff were busy making up a ready reckoner to transform piculs and furlongs to kilograms and kilometres and that in the near future every railway employee will be furnished with a slide rule and book of logarithms.

Without wishing to be facetious I can hardly refrain from envying the "spoiled" darlings of fortune who get favourable terms in Government employ—which they certainly would not get outside. Last week I dealt partly with the matter of leave. Now I add a few more paragraphs about those attractions of the Civil Service. Short periods of absence from duty, owing to sickness, are allowed on full pay, in accordance with the local rules of each Colony, without affecting vacation leave. Certain restrictive regulations do not apply to vacation not exceeding in the case of civil officers, three calendar months during two consecutive years' service. It is not necessary that any specific period should elapse between two successive grants of vacation leave;

but an officer will not be granted his full three months at the beginning of a biennial period without some special reason. In the case of judicial and educational officers, such vacation leave may extend to, but must not exceed, the ordinary vacations of the Court or institution to which they belong; and they may generally, when absent on half-pay leave, receive full pay during any ordinary vacation of such Court or institution which may occur during the period of their leave. There is no abatement of salary during vacation leave; but the leave must be approved by H.E. the Governor for the adequate discharge of the applicant's duties, "without cost to the public," except in very special circumstances.

An officer applying for leave with the intention of retiring must only receive such terms of leave as will allow time for a decision upon his application of retirement; and the Governor has to report to the Secretary of State. An officer's salary will in such case cease and his pension commences when his retirement is sanctioned. If an officer retires during his leave of absence without having originally given notice of his desire to do so, the date at which his half-salary is to cease will be determined according to the circumstances of the case. Leave will count from the date of relinquishment to that of resumption of duty.

An officer on leave may receive so much of any allowance for house rent as may not be required to cover any special expenses for housing accommodation incurred by the acting officer. No part of any travelling allowance and no fee will be paid to an officer on leave. Except in very special cases, as of unbroken official residence in the same Colony for fifteen years, no extension of leave will exceed six months at a time, nor will any Hong Kong officer on leave be allowed to receive half salary continuously for more than 24 months. Mauritius, Ceylon and the Straits Settlements stand in the same respect as Hong Kong in the matter of continued leave after approved extension. In some colonies the period is 18 or nine months, and in the majority the extension is limited to six months.

Revival of the dead and extension of human life to its utmost potential duration—probably far beyond the century mark—are held possible by Professor Feodor Andreieff, famous biologist of Moscow. His theory is that there is no absolute death. "New York Herald Tribune."

A new scale of fees for annual licences for fishing stakes and fishing stake-nets is announced under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance of 1899.

The resumption of duty as Attorney General on Thursday by the Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, Kt. Bach., C.B.E., K.C., on his return from Home leave, is notified in the "Gazette."

The name of the Auctioneering & Brokering Co., Ltd., has been struck off the register of companies. Unless cause to the contrary is shown in three months, the name of the Sarawak Timber Co., Ltd., will also be struck off.

To-day the leading cinemas are giving final screenings of excellent pictures. There is "Ramona," starring Dolores Del Rio at the Queen's; Harold Lloyd's famous comedy "Safety Last," at the World, and "Across The Pacific," featuring Monte Blue, at the Star.

The following telegram has been received by Mrs. Southern from the Secretary of the Ross Institute, on receipt of the cheque for £140, the result of the Bridge and Mah Jong party at the Helena May Institute on October 17. Please accept heartiest thanks. Letter follows—Secretary, Ross Institute:

Judgment was reserved in a case heard at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when an elderly Chinese woman was charged on two counts arising out of alleged harbouring of a young married girl. Mr. E. W. Hamilton was on the bench. Prosecuting, Mr. R. A. D. Forest, of the Secretariat for China Affairs, said that as a result of causing a disturbance in Shanghai-street, complainant had been taken to the police station. Investigations that followed revealed that defendant had endeavoured to sell complainant to a man in Shataukok for \$280. Complainant gave evidence of coming from the country in search of work in the company of defendant. She did not wish to get married, as she has a husband in the country. The girl's mother corroborated complainant's evidence.

The "China Mail" has received price lists of the butchery department and the grocery and provision departments of the Peninsula Hotel Stores, Kowloon. A very wide range of articles, food-stuffs and commodities is covered by the booklets.

The Final Dress Rehearsal for the production of the Opera "Tom Jones," by the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, will take place in the Theatre Royal, next Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. All Servicemen will be admitted.

At the Registry Office, on Thursday, the wedding took place of Miss Choy Ping-yeung, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Choy Po-sing and niece of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, and Mr. Ko Yeung-hung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ko How-kuen. The duties of best man were performed by Mr. Ko King-fan, whilst the bride wore a European dress and carried a bouquet of white flowers, was attended by Miss Lok Chiu-sheung as bridesmaid. A reception was afterwards held at Lane, Crawford's restaurant. It was attended by a large number of guests, including Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, and Mr. M. K. Lo.

CORRESPONDENCE

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—I have read with interest the letters appearing in your issue of Oct. 12. Mr. Adler evidently considers that medical practice is antagonistic to Christian Science practice. In this he is in agreement with the bulk of the Boston organisation, although he has no evidence to show that any antagonism exists.

In Science and Health Mrs. Eddy writes, "It is better for Christian Scientists to leave surgery and the adjustment of broken bones and dislocations to the fingers of a surgeon, while the mental healer confines himself chiefly to mental reconstruction and to the prevention of inflammation." Here Mrs. Eddy recommends the co-operation between the Christian Science practitioner and the doctor that Mrs. Annie C. Bill, the Leader of The Christian Science Parent Church has recommended and embodied in her Manual By-laws. Mrs. Eddy also advises a patient whom Christian Scientists have failed to relieve, to call a surgeon who could give him a hypodermic injection.

She added this advice to page 464 in Science and Health towards the later years of her life after she resorted to the aid of several doctors and had received many hypodermic injections of morphine. The Boston organisation which Mr. Adler represents are so unsentientific that for years they have tried to keep this from their members, but they cannot deny it. They fail to see the deep significance of these human footsteps which Mrs. Eddy took in suffering. It remained for Mrs. Bill to grasp the scientific meaning and to direct her Church to take the forward step in Science, of co-operation with the medical profession.

In her later years Mrs. Eddy was disappointed to find that not even one of her students had passed beyond the bugle call of Science. Consequently she was unable to obtain a circle of support amongst them to combat the common consent of the vast majority to decrepitude and death. She fully understood that the power of the drug is not inherent in its material properties, but in the common hope and faith in recovery which is focused on the drug, first by the medical profession and then by the general public who place their faith in the doctors, their system and their drugs.

When Mrs. Eddy could obtain no help from her students, she sent for qualified medical practitioners, thus allying her spiritual understanding of the illness of mind with the common hope and faith in recovery. The Christian Science practitioners of the Parent Church, while not recommending the use of drugs, willingly render metaphysical aid to any sufferers under medical treatment who call for help. They consult with the doctors and co-operate with them. Each deals with the case, the one metaphysically and the other medically. The practitioners of the Boston organisation, on the other hand, will not co-operate and refuse all aid until after the doctor is dismissed.

Yours, etc.,
HENRY JAPP,
Press Committee,
The Christian Science Parent Church,
London, Nov. 3.

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PIONEER ART SUPPLEMENT.

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Mr. A. H. POTTS AND HIS
BRIDE.—Miss Suzanne Weill,
after their marriage in the Re-
gistry on Monday.—(K. Fuji-
yama).



ST. ANDREW'S DAY FESTIVITIES IN HONG KONG.—St. Andrew's Day was
followed by the 8th and last extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at
which all the events bar one were named in honour of Scotland and the principal event
of the day was the St. Andrew's Stakes (see below). The Pipers and Drummers of the
2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers played on the course in the intervals, as
seen in photo above. Their picturesque uniforms were much admired by the attend-
ance.—(K. Fujiyama).



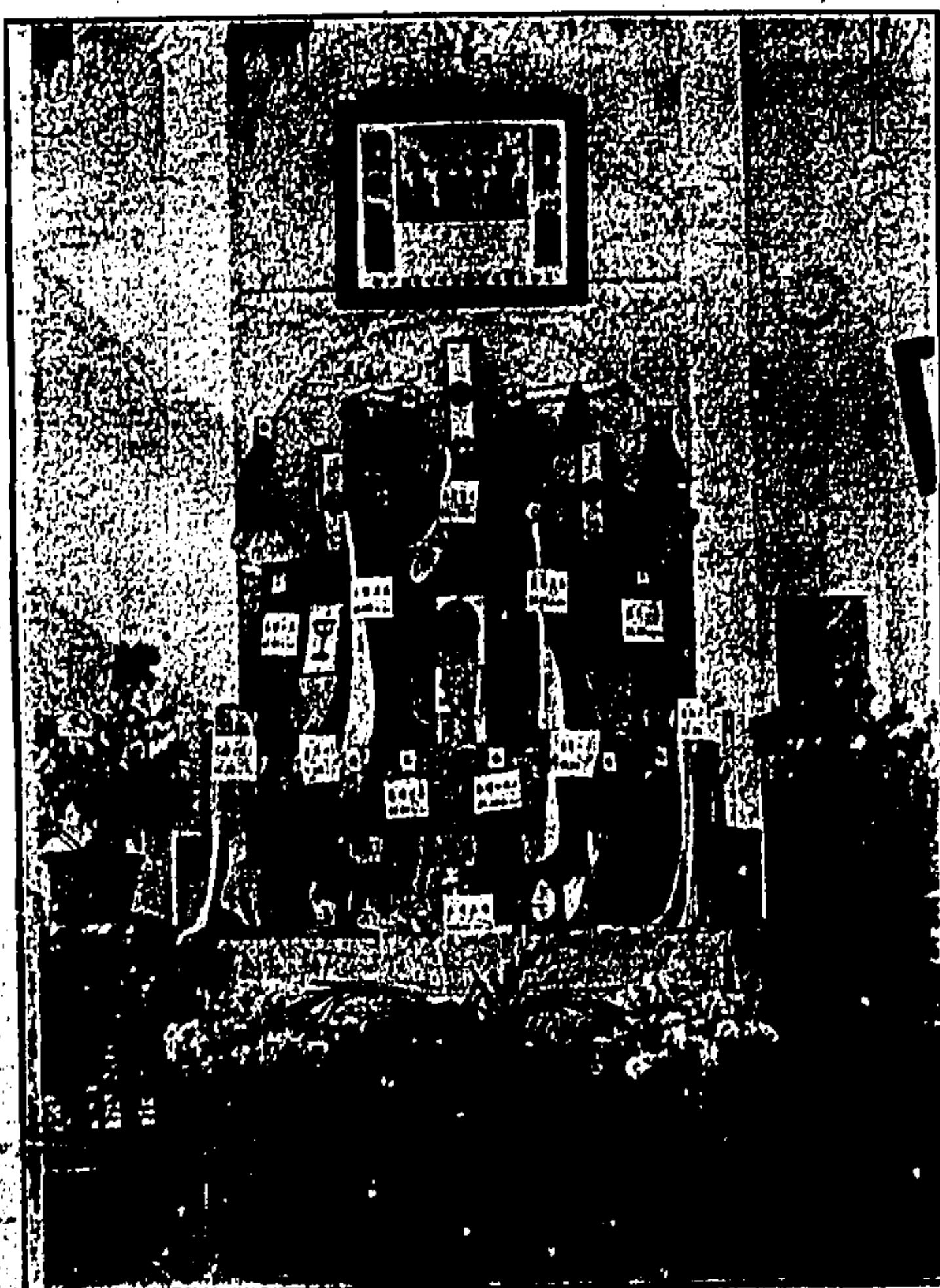
\$60,000 A YEAR.—Mr. Ma
Shi-tsang, the idol of the Can-
tonese stage, whose versatility
is depicted above; in upper
photo, as the hero of a Con-
tinental play; below, as a Chi-
nese shrew.



WEDDING RECEPTION AT "ALBEROSE," POKFULAM.—Flashlight photo taken on Monday evening, in the
residence of the bride's mother, after the reception. The bride was Miss Suzanne Weill, the bridegroom Mr. Alec
Hutton Potts, the stockbroker, member of the Mounted Infantry H.K.V.D.C. and formerly acting Master of the Fanling
Hunt.—(K. Fujiyama).

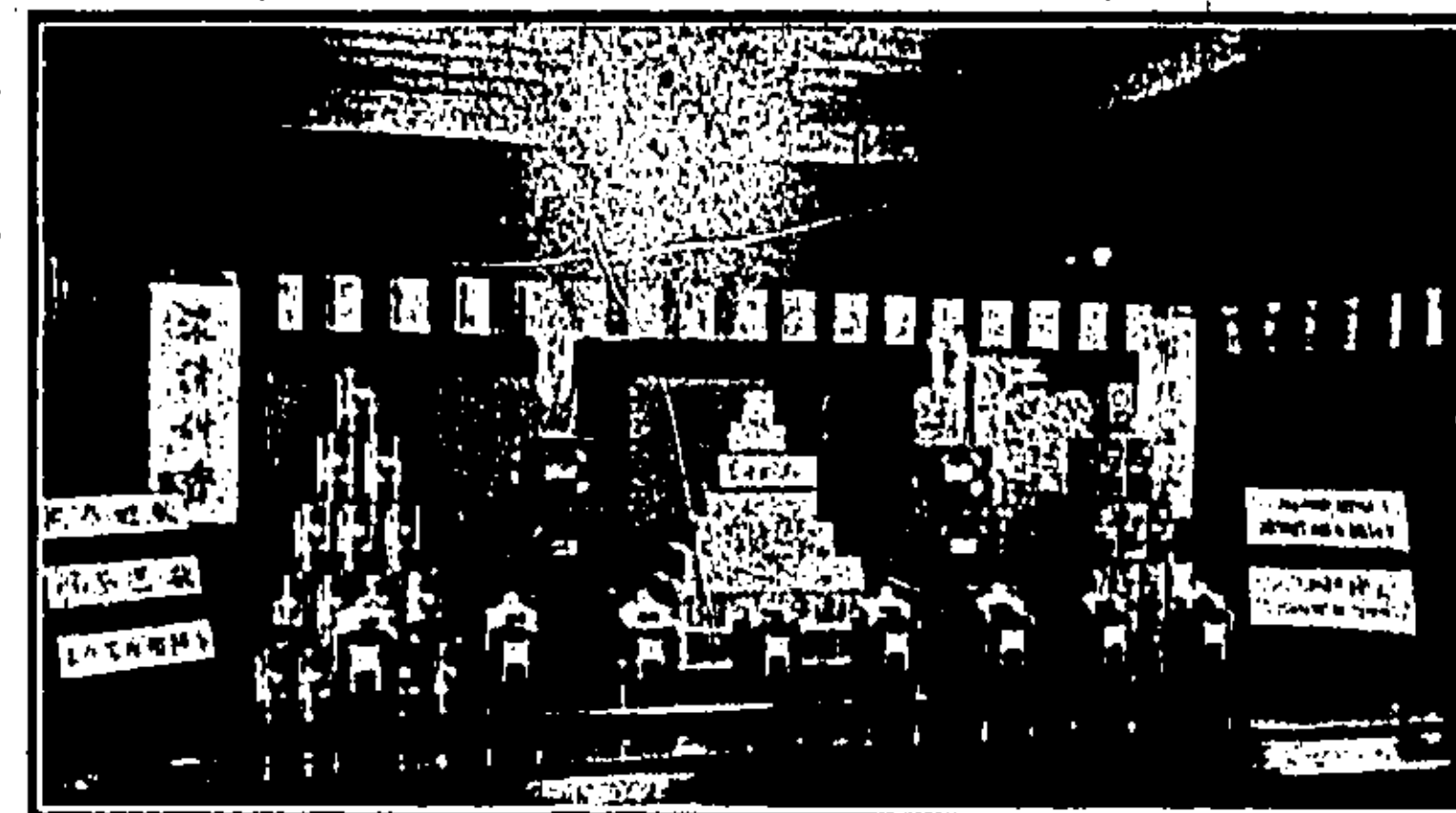


MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA'S BASEBALL TEAM.—Champions of the Japanese League last year, with the staff and their families.
—Mr. Abe, the manager, is in a dark suit, hatless, on left of child in centre. On the right of the child is Mr. T. Honda, tennis singles
champion of the Colony.—(K. Fujiyama).



At left.—DISPLAY OF HOSIERY
—At the Macao Commercial Fair, ex-
hibited by Foot Ease Hosiery Mill, whose
products have gained much popularity
in China and abroad.
Above.—HONG KONG FOOTBALL
CLUB IN A SCRUM.—The Club's rug-
ger section, playing in "hooped" jerseys,
after pressing against a military XV.—
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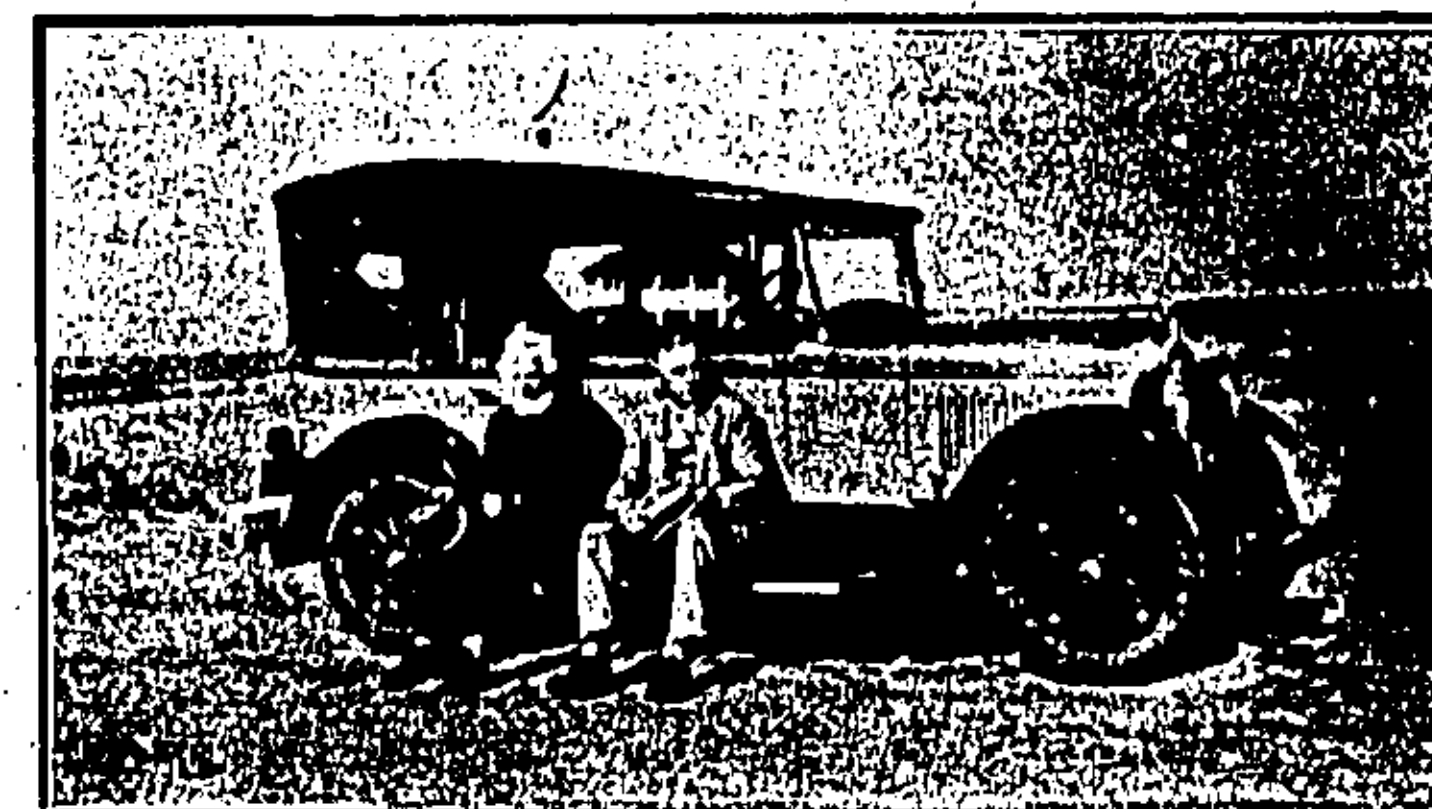
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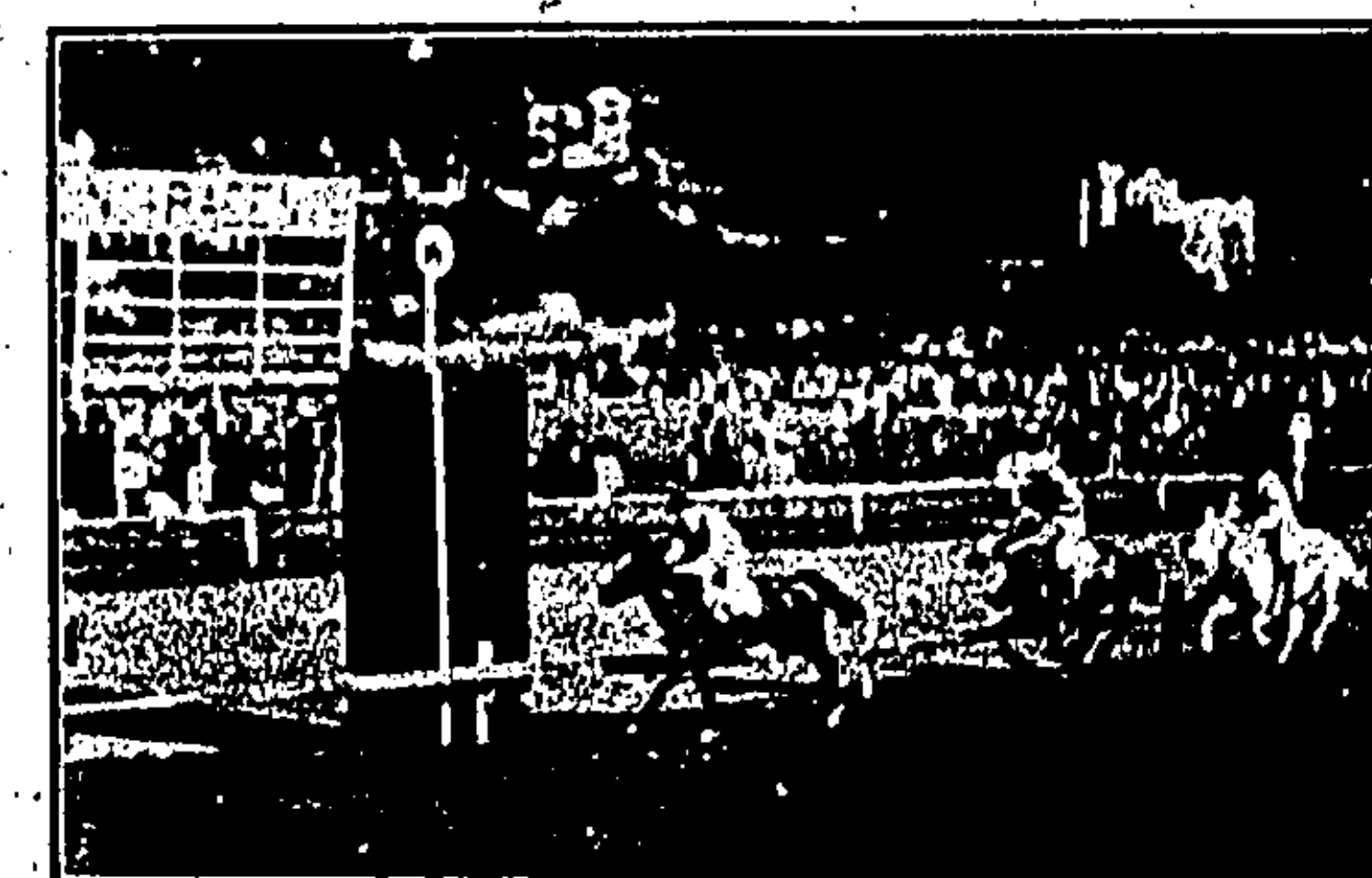
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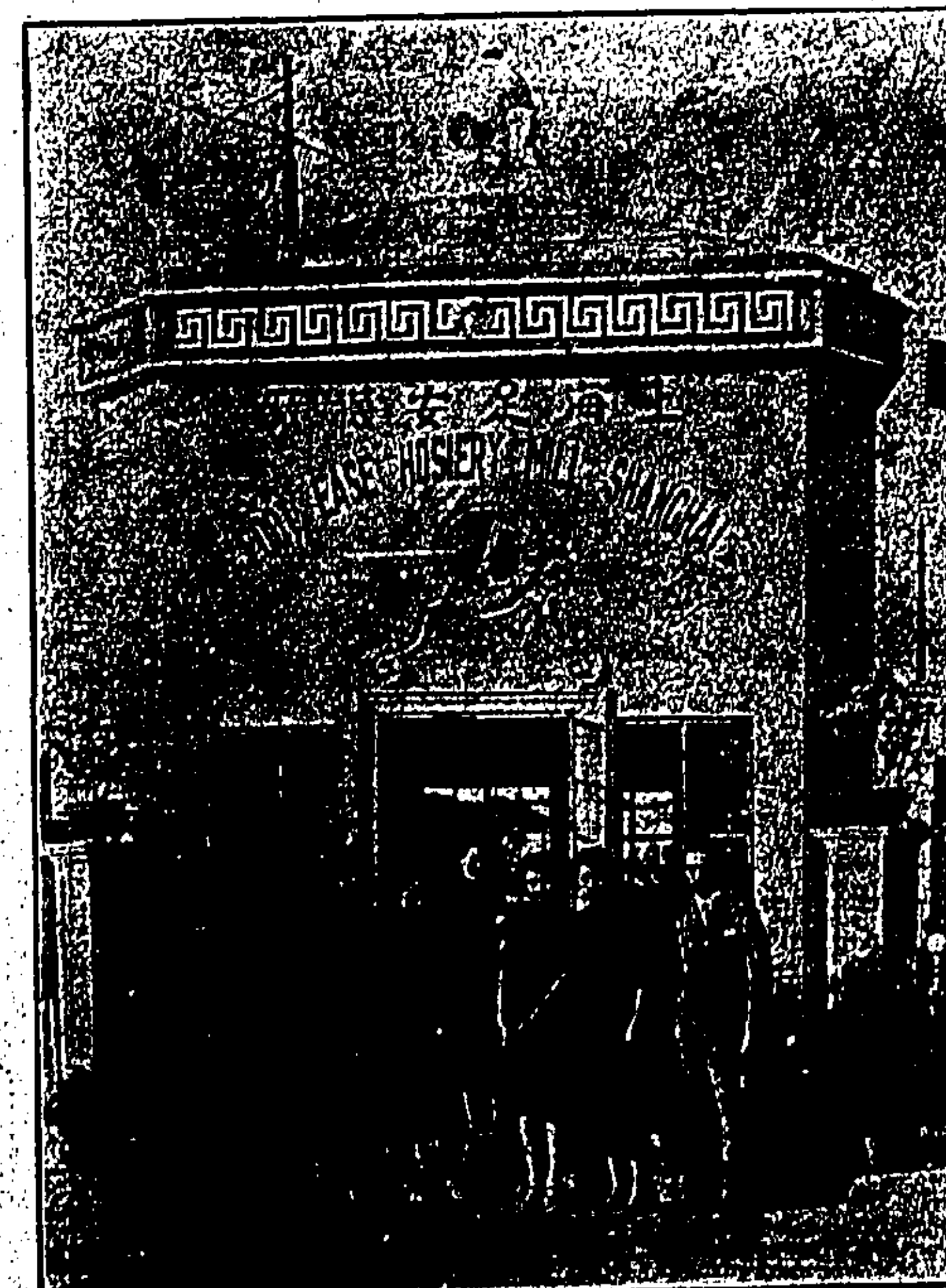
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MOANA BEACH, South Australia.—Mr. O. A. Smith
of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw's, with his father, who is
84 years of age.



ST. ANDREW'S STAKES.—Mr. "Eve's" Boxing Eve
(Mr. Charles up) winning from Coos Bay and Pickle.—(K.
Fujiyama).



AT MACAO.—Outside Foot Ease Hosiery Mill's Hock.
Mrs. M. C. Chan, wife of the proprietor, is second from the
right, with members of the Hong Kong and Shanghai
staffs.

THE "MAIL'S" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED

SCARF TREATMENT

One of the Outstanding Features of the New Fur Coat Is Its Attractive Collar for Both Dress and Sports.



Winter fur coats are following no definite silhouette. There is chic in all models whether they possess usual straight lines or whether they are given to flares and fabric treatments.

There are, however, several new and interesting treatments in the way of detail that distinguish them in the new modes. The scarf treatment is perhaps the most outstanding feature of note in fur coats. It is divided in favour with the deep shawl collar. The scarf effect, however, lends itself to various styles. Its collar may be smartly upstanding with long tabs that make an interesting throw scarf or the collar may roll and still possess scarf ends that make for grace and style.

Collars which are upstanding at the neck and are belted in are also

new in the sports models. These are generally trimmed with kid in vivid shades for a contrast. The throw scarf, however, while possessing graceful aspects, is by no means limited to the formal coat. It is equally chic and appealing in sports models.

Alice White, while choosing fur coats for all occasions, is deeply fascinated by the chic details of this winter's models. For sports she has selected a particularly stunning coat in white goat which utilizes the new scarf treatment at the neck. In the First National film "Show Girl," Miss White has an opportunity to wear this sports model. In general the flat curly furs are found most effective for daytime and sports. Consequently Miss White's choice is doubly suitable.

PRESENTS FOR LUCK

Christmas Novelties in a Hunt at Felix's

Felix, for luck, which is certainly correct if you are on the hunt for Christmas presents!

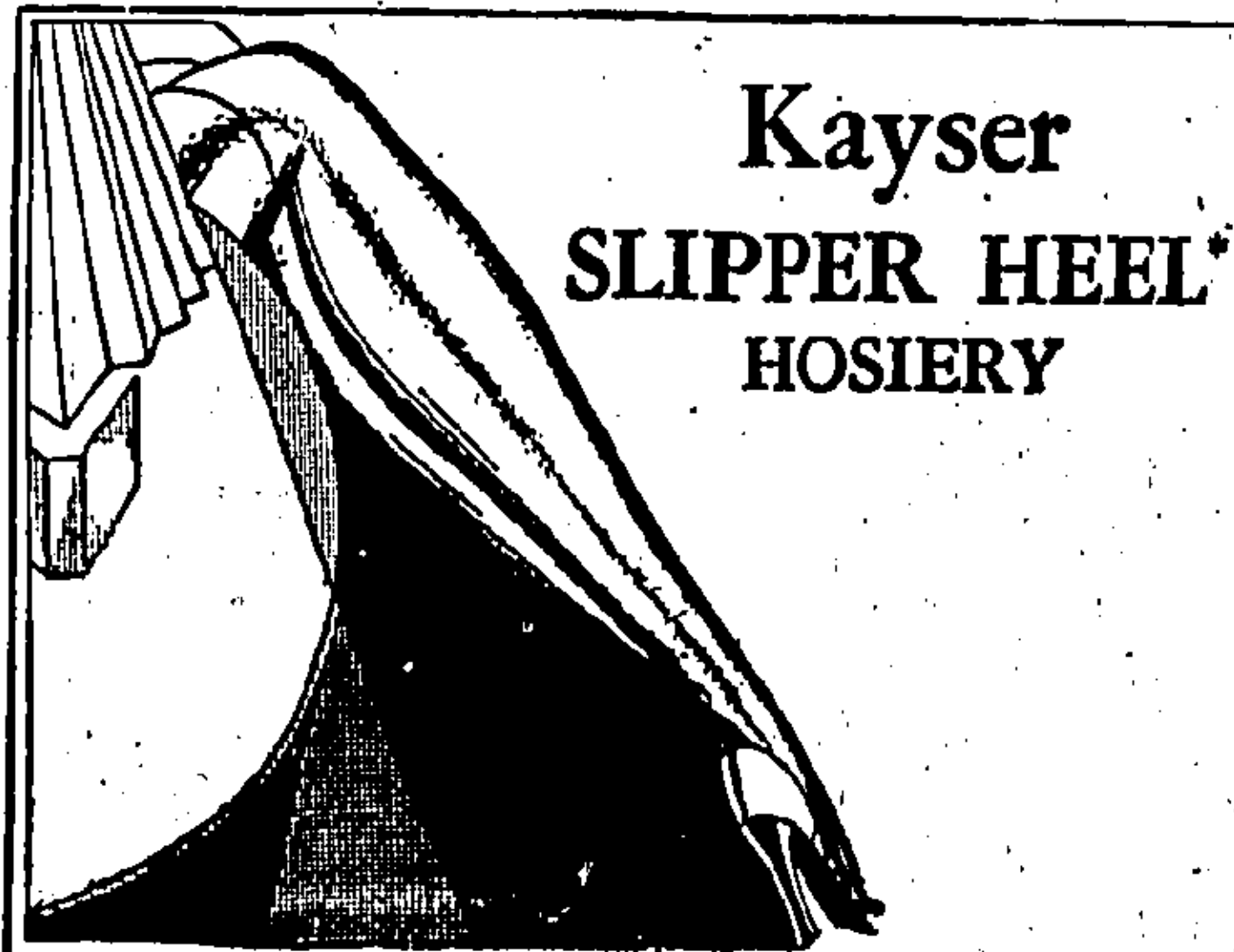
Bags of all shapes and sizes, some with leather clasps and others gaily coloured untarnishable metal. To describe them all is impossible, so only two will be attempted. One that is fancied is a soft silver grey leather with a black and white mother-of-pearl clasp. A novel idea was carried on in this bag. The handle and back are of black kid, this preventing it from being discoloured. There is a design of black cut work on the front and the inside of the bag is all in pale grey moire silk. A looking glass is attached by means of a silk ribbon and a special small bag is ready for holding money.

The other bag will match splendidly with a tailor-made or smart overcoat. It is more or less on the envelope idea, with a strip of

leather across the back to form a handle. The colour scheme is brown. To relieve the dark brown leather, a cut out of mahogany crocodile leather makes an attractive border. Inside there is a place for stamps or a season ticket for tram or ferry, a looking glass and, as in other model, a safe compartment for money, to say nothing of two handy places for odd letters. The size is roughly about 5" x 9".

Another cute idea that is certainly fascinating is a green felt hat, green felt bag and, as a finishing touch, a little felt flower. Just imagine how smart one would appear in a nice grey costume and, as a relief, with a touch of colour on the coat, the green bag and hat to match.

A number of new novelties have arrived in the way of lamp shades, the most popular of which are old-fashioned ladies whose delightfully full skirts form a hiding place for an electric globe. There are some dainty dressing shepherdesses, who are to grace the top of a bed, all ready wired, and some standing lamps on a graceful wooden stand.



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COLLEGE MODES ARE EXPRESSED IN TERMS OF SIMPLICITY

Variety Is Packed into the School or College Trunk as Well as Clothes Suitable for All Occasions. The Sports Mode Is Generally Accepted With Smart Accessories



Year after year the outfitting of the school or college girl presents its problem. There must always be a varied wardrobe, for the needs of the school girl are numerous. There must first of all be clothes suitable for travelling. These, for economy of space as well as money, should be selected so that they could adapt themselves into the school wardrobe.

For travelling the sports coat of tweed, kasha or homespun is about the best choice as with the one-piece frock it can also be counted upon for the regular fall costume for classes and street. The knitted sports outfits as well as the cardigan outfits are another essential of the school wardrobe. These serve sports purposes as well as suitable school clothes. There cannot be too many sweater outfits packed into the school trunk.

Little silk dresses to wear under heavy winter coats, too, should be selected. They serve as delightful tea costumes when the occasion demands. Velvet, however, with its increasing popularity will undoubtedly put in a smart appearance for any and all of the dresses that may

be counted upon for formal affairs at the college. When out along the new and flaring lines they are excellent for school entertainments and teas while the plain, belted models serve as delightful class dresses as well.

The jacket costume in transparent velvet threatens to take on considerable popularity throughout the fall season. It is worn with a separate satin blouse and is especially chic.

Among the outdoor clothes there should of course be listed a leather coat which serves all sports purposes such as games, motoring and walking as well as being useful as a rain coat. These in belted models lend a youth air of swank that all college girls love.

Other coats in homespun or tweed possess flattering away-from-the-face shawl collars or racoon. The fur coat that most girls will wear will be of the flat, curly variety as it is particularly desirable for sports. The white, grey and black goat coats are especially smart.

Shoes are not very different this winter. Buckles will be found adorn-

ing dressy models in satin while patent leather, kids and leathers as well as lizards appear in walking models in Oxfords as well as the strap models. Hosiery is seen in new shades. Those for sports show checks, zig-zags, and geometric figures in brown, beige, grey, dark green, blue, red and black and white. The daytime and evening stockings have grown more sheer and are seen in beige, sand, nude, gray, dark blue and browns to match shoes and dresses.

Hats, while in general turbans, will possess sports models with brims for the tailored outfits of the college girl. These are by far the most suitable for the sports aspect of the young girl's wardrobe.

Evening dresses, too, are simply designed and generally of a bouffant nature in sheer fabrics. While the general mode is sophisticated in its appeal to grace and rhythm, the college girl still stresses youth in her selection of evening clothes and the variation of the bouffant mode best expresses this aspect.

Colleen Moore, who is always a delightful example to the college girl in her selection of clothes, ap-

CLOTHES FOR SPORTS AND COUNTRY

The Cardigan Suits Are Entering Upon a Season of Great Popularity. Knitted Outfits Are Particularly Smart



It is the season for tweeds and homespun, for jerseys and kashas, for knitted goods and velveteens, for leathers and for all sorts of new and interesting fabrics which combine wool and rayon in fascinating colours and weaves. In clothes for the country and chic walking and shopping clothes for the city.

There is perhaps no smarter outfit than the cardigan ensemble right now, whether it be in tweed or knitted goods. Sweater and skirts of all sorts of colours and cuts are effectively set off by a cardigan jacket.

Sweater outfits are decidedly youthful in their simplicity. Skirts in these combinations may match the sweater or may merely harmonize. For fall, however, they are usually of a woollen fabric rather than of silk. They may possess pleats or be straight or have an interesting and novel flare at the bottom. Individuality is preserved in the selection of skirts as well as in the choice of sweaters.

In the sweaters there are any number of styles which may be chosen. Of course for all they are bound to be long sleeved, but otherwise there is every opportunity for variety. They must match in colour with the skirt, or have a trimming that matches the skirt in order to create a harmonious aspect. The dashing diagonal stripes in vivid tones are particularly effective when woven into the slip-on and combined with a plain skirt and cardigan.

Striped and patterned skirts and cardigan are most effective with plain slip-ons. Solid colours in all three-pieces are smart when re-

lieved by a colour line of contrast at neck, sleeve cuff and hem of skirt. Belted-in effects are very chic now, although most of the models preserve a straight-line silhouette.

The scarf treatment, so effective in formal models, is finding itself used with equal smartness in the sports clothes. Scarfs which harmonize with the sweater or cardigan are used in throw effects that lend infinite dash.

Knitted diagonal tweeds are shown in unusual models. They are combined with plain slip-ons and are especially suited for days in town. The tweeds and homespun in beige and brown mixtures create many of the newest fall suits. The matching scarf that accompanies these outfits are generally lined with a figured material which is used for coat lining and blouse. One-piece homespun with loose bolero backs express a new note. Rodier tweeds and other mixtures are chosen for coats and suits which use one or two-piece dresses of sporting tendencies.

Dorothy Mackaill, whose opportunities for this type of costume are unlimited, is seen wearing an especially smart ensemble in First National's "Waterfront." It consists of a black shirt and cardigan and a black and white striped slip-on sweater. A black fox scarf, hat and shoes help to make distinctive the black and white colour scheme.

THE COLDS

That Others Give Us

More colds are caught through contact with infected persons than from any other cause! To avoid this ever-present risk, make a habit of putting a drop of "Vapex" on your handkerchief every morning, thereby surrounding yourself with a pleasant germ-proof atmosphere which will last all day.

Beauty in Line



One of the most popular of new London fashions is this Louise Boulanger black peau de soie with beau-

Straight from Paris




Straight from a famous Paris designer comes this three-piece black transparent velvet creation, with a "glorifying" effect. The dress features the new jewelled embroidery at breast and cuffs, while the coat has a collar of ermine. Inserts of velvet lend chic to the hat which is of black felt.

Smart Fur Jacket



The short fur jacket goes smartly with the new circular skirts in wool. The above model is of beaver, belted in suede leather and comfortably loose.

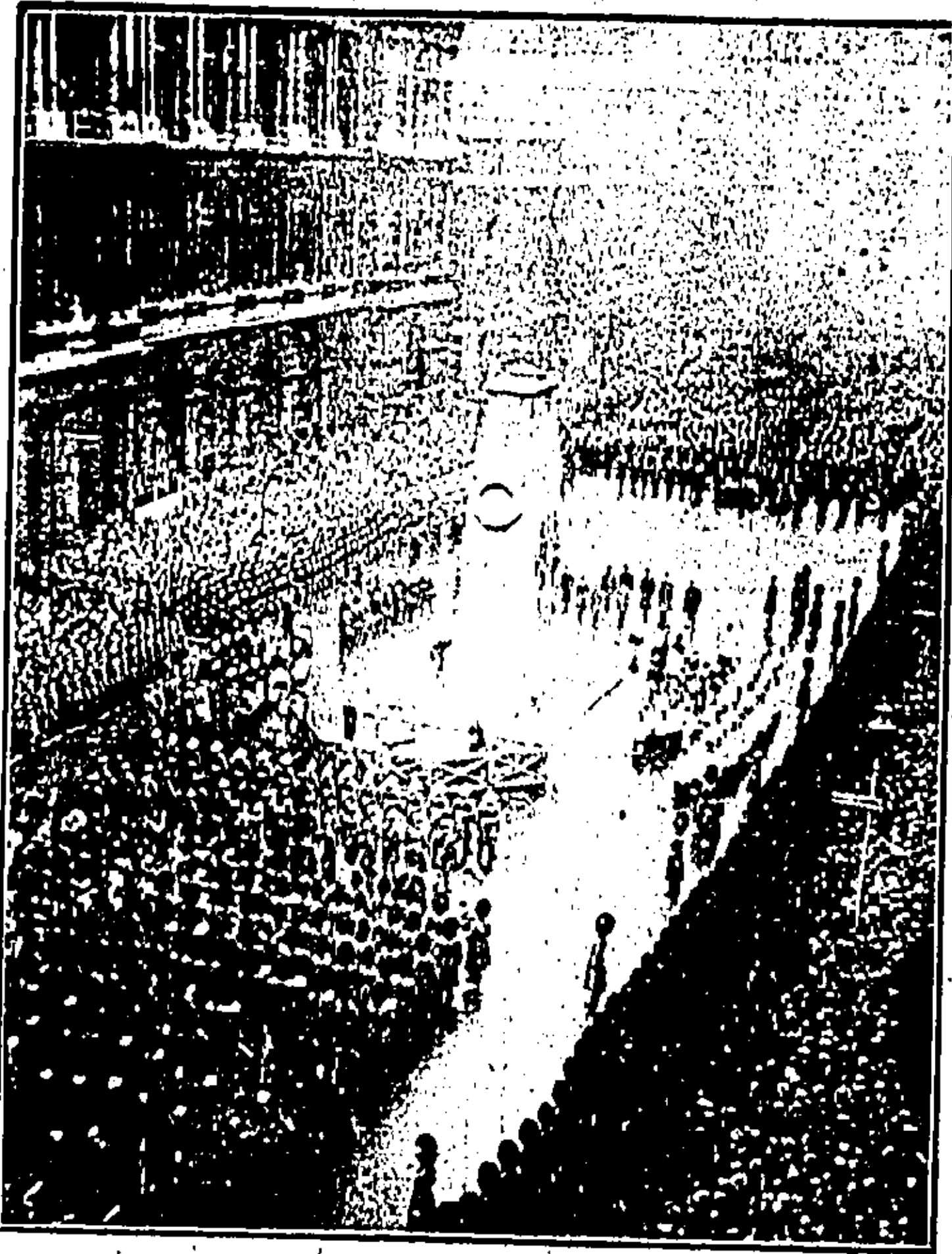


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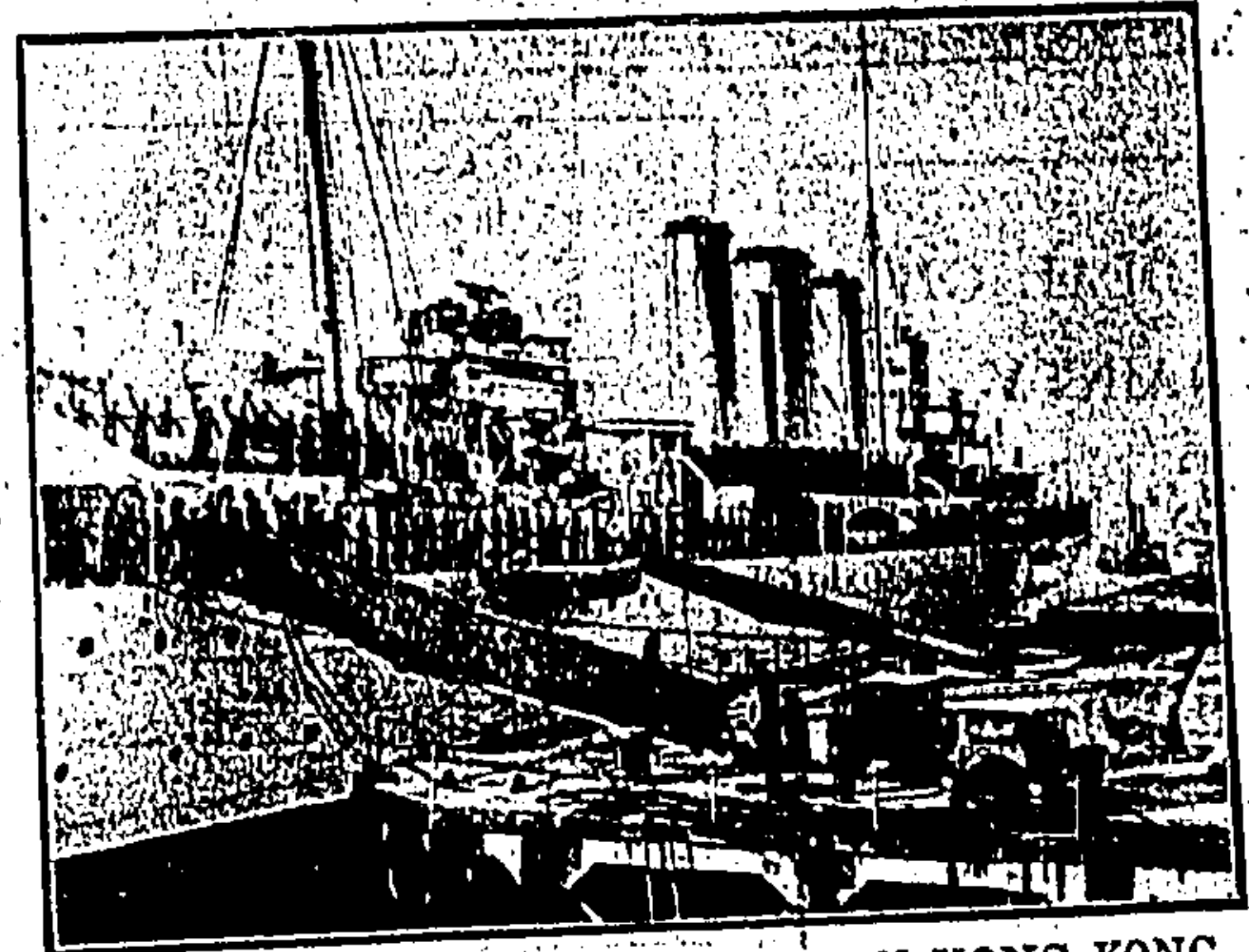
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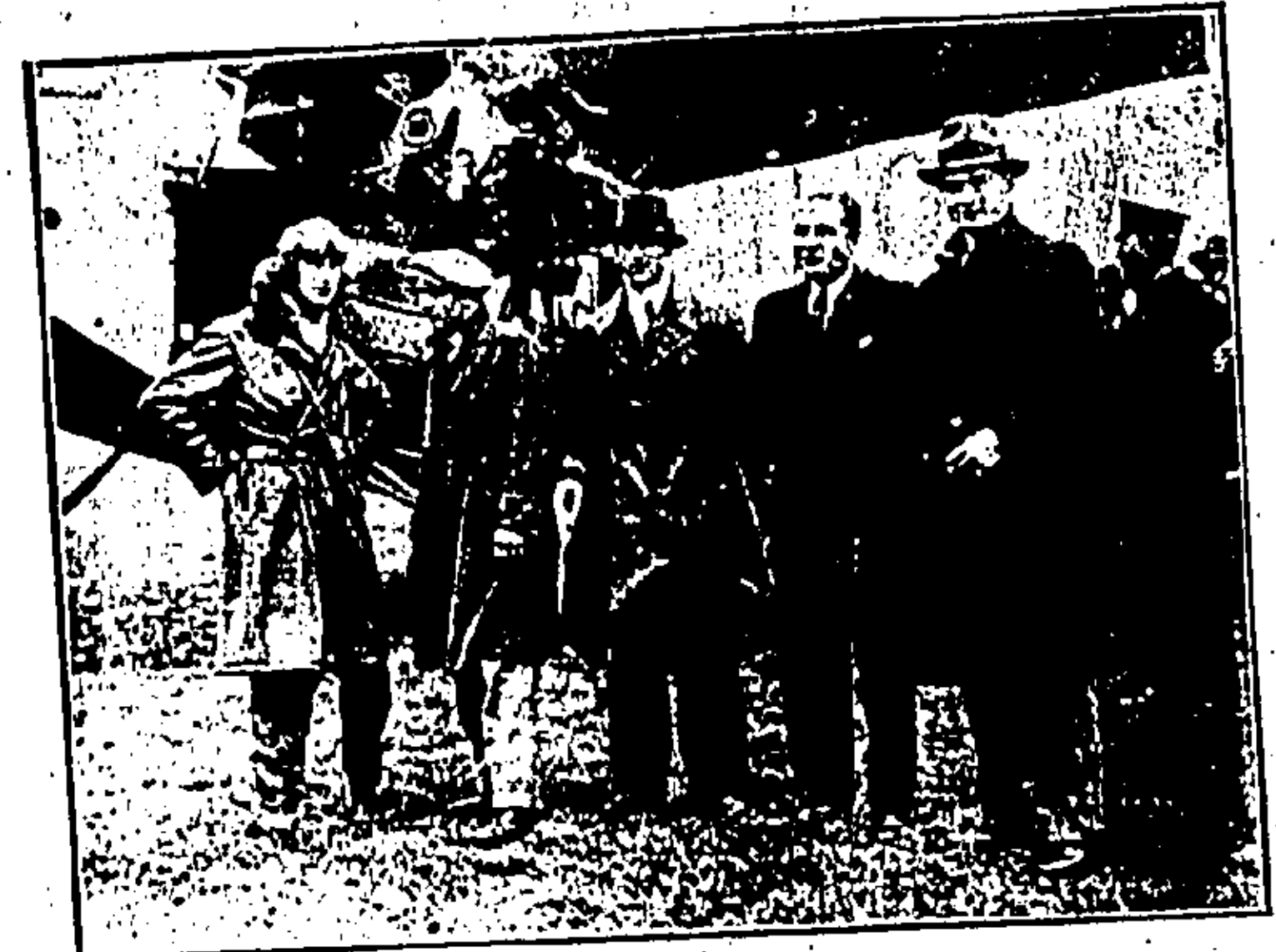
EMPIRE'S DAY OF REMEMBRANCE.—Crowded scenes in London.—The impressive two minutes' Silence at the Cenotaph in Whitehall. H.M. the King and other members of the Royal Family are to the right of Cenotaph, the Cabinet Ministers on left.—(Sport and General).



THE KING CAUGHT A CHILL.—Armistice Day in London, at the Cenotaph, just before the two minutes' silence during which the King with head bared in the rain. Left to right:—H. H. Aga Khan (hatless), Maharajah of Patiala and the Maharajah of Kashgar. Right is H.M. the King, and behind, the Duke of York and Prince Arthur.—(Sport and General).



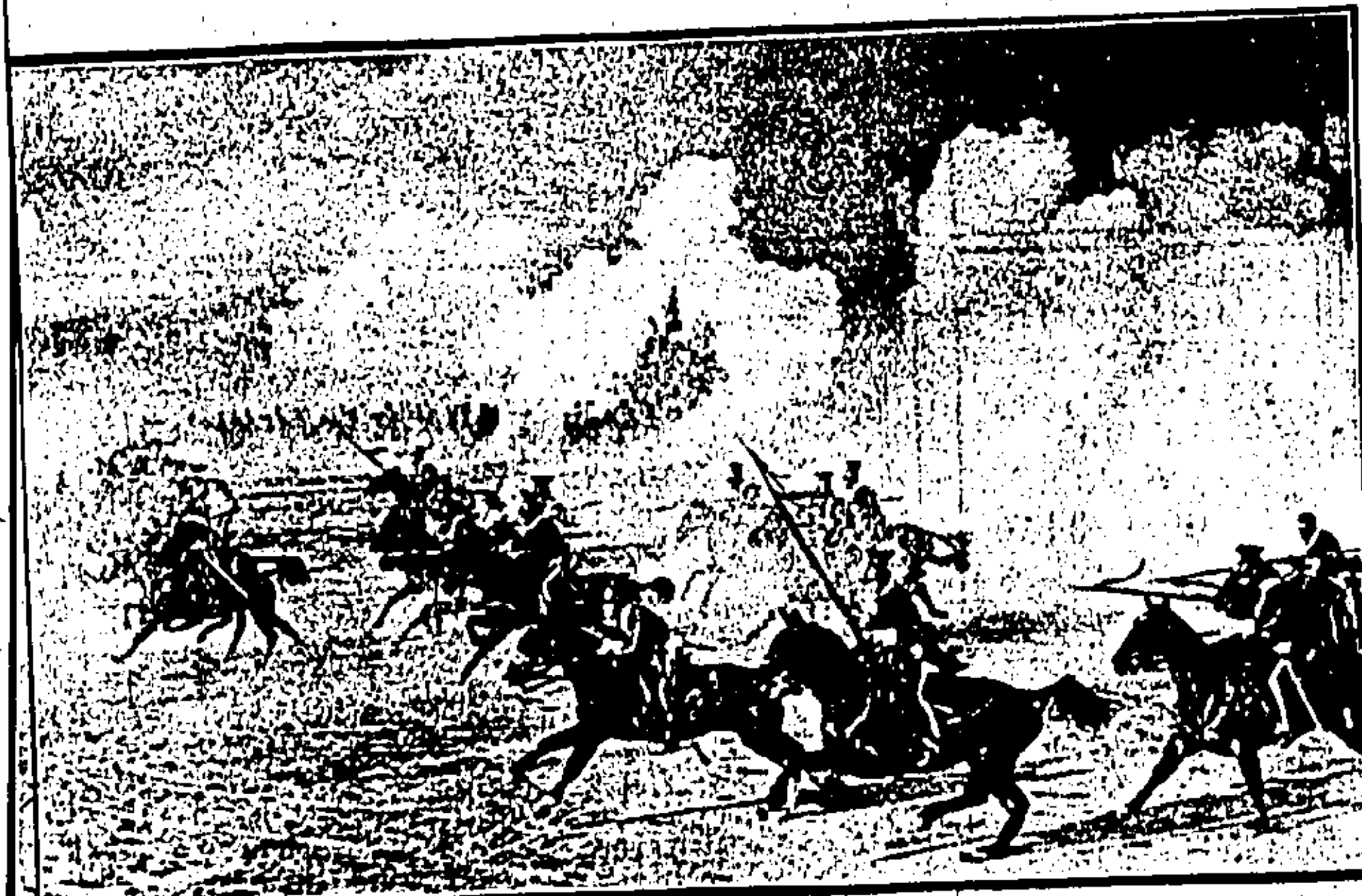
NOT ONE OF THE NEW CRUISERS IN HONG KONG.—But Princess Mary visiting the new Australian 10,000-ton Cruiser "Canberra," at Portsmouth.—(Sport and General).



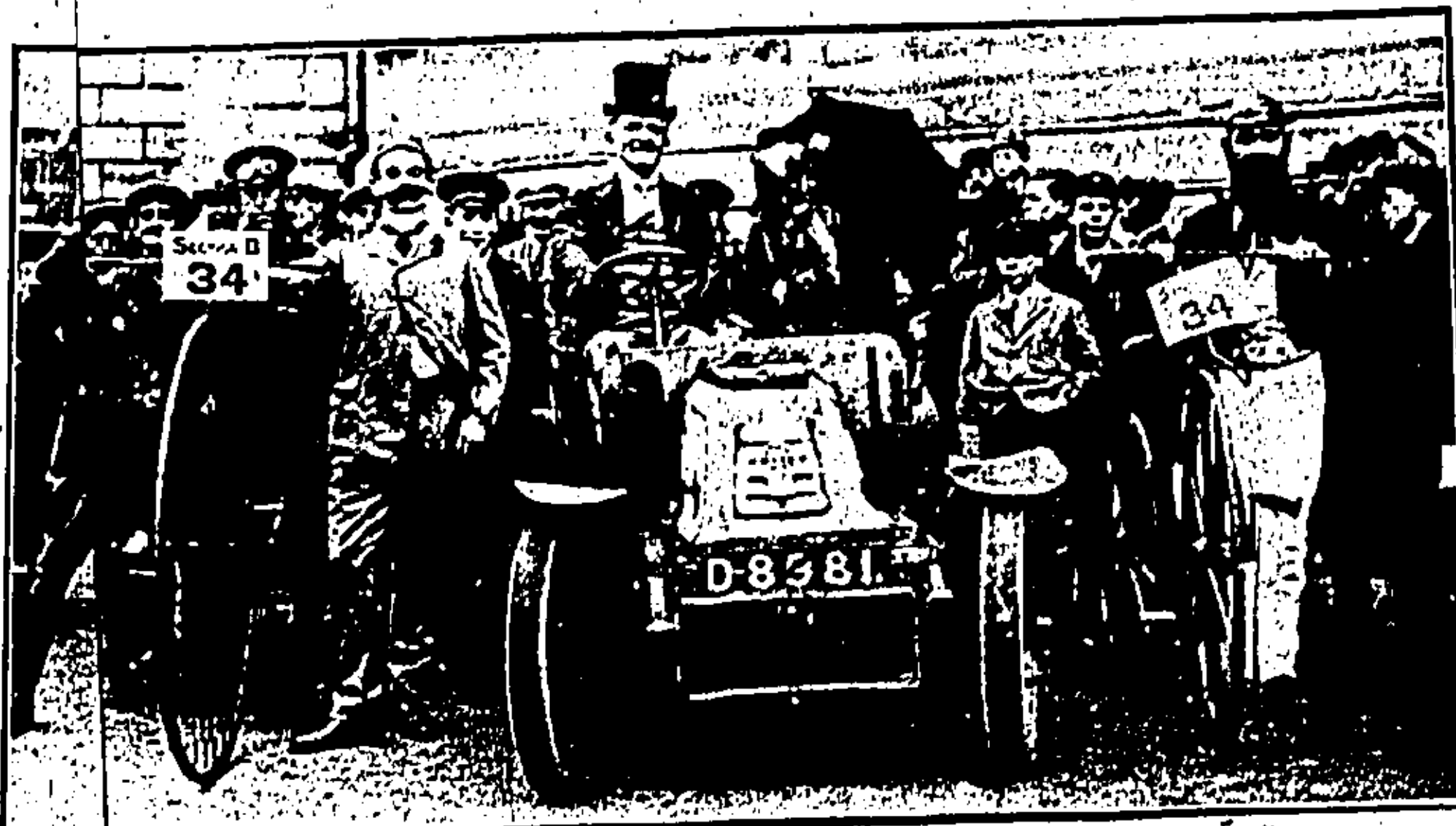
FIRST AERIAL BIG GAME EXPEDITION.—Left to right, Capt. Drew (pilot), Whatley (mechanic), Brand (valet), Lt. Comdr. Glen Kidston, Mr. T. Thistlewayte and their plane for a tour of Nairobi Kenya and South Africa.—(Sport and General).



THE PRINCE AS A "LATHER BOY"—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, in the costume of a "lather boy" which he wore on board the P. & O. s.s. "Malda," when he assisted in initiating his brother, Prince Henry, the Duke of Gloucester, in the "Crossing the Line" ceremony.



CHARGE THE LIGHT BRIGADE.—Through the shell fire of the Russian guns, realises at the making of the "Balacava" film at Aldershot. This is an exact reproduction of the historical charge.—(Sport and General).



MAYOR'S PROCESSION IN KENT.—The first in Maidstone, during the 380 years it has been a high. To commemorate his fourth term of office, Mr. G. Tyrwhitt-Drake, held a procession. Above is the Automobile Association's "Road Transport of the Past"—Penny-Fing and Boneshaker Cycles and 1903 One-Cylinder De Dion car.—(Sport and General).



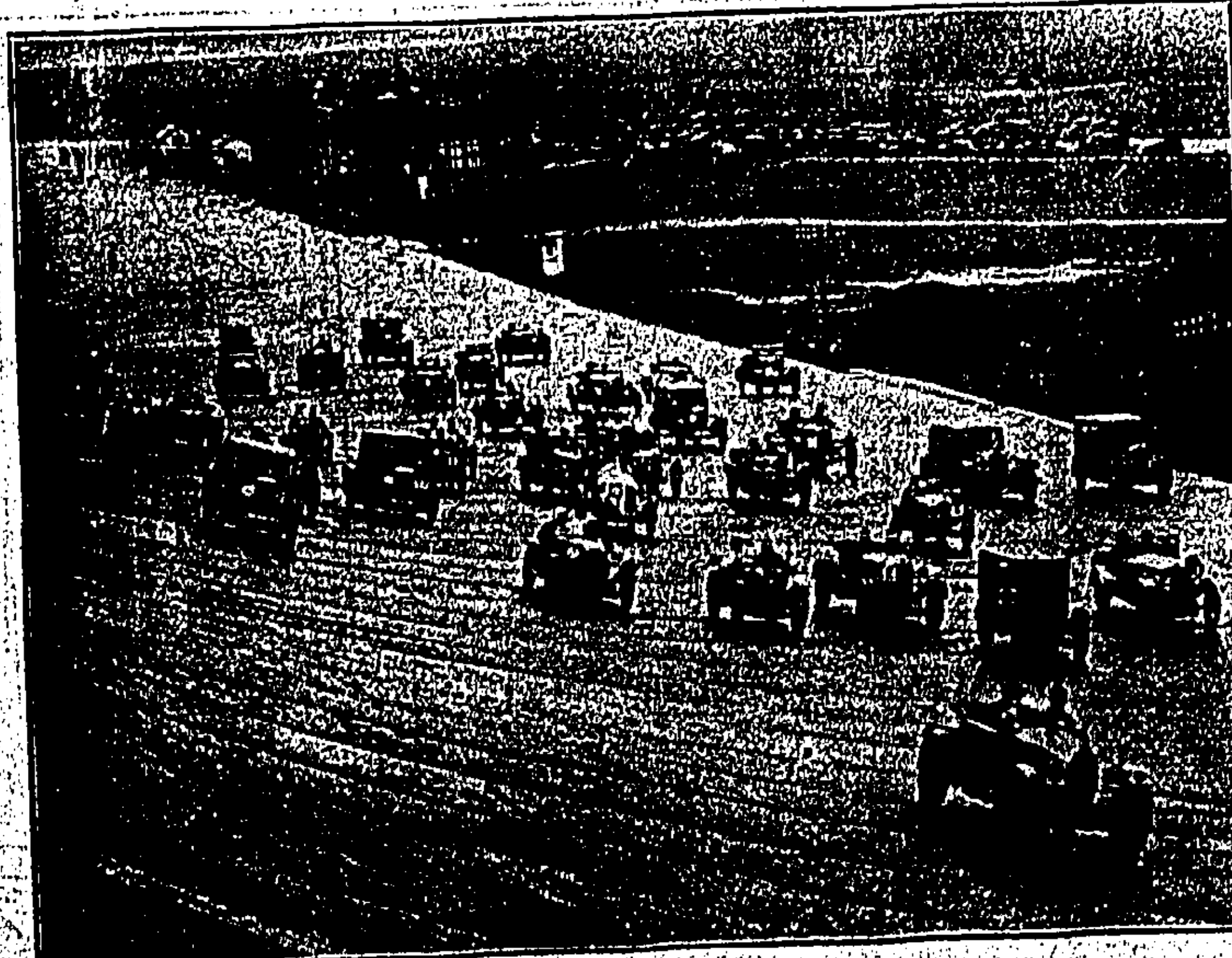
£500,000 JEWELLERY PARADE.—A pretty tableau depicting a bridal party. The bride, Miss Billie Dicks, and the bridesmaids, Miss Rathbone, and Miss Balfour, wearing some of the lovely gems enhancing their graceful frocks—at a special matinee at St. James's Theatre, London.—(Sport and General).



RECORD LORD MAYOR'S SHOW.—"Gog" and "Magog" appear after 200 years. The 1928 procession of the Lord Mayor's Show will be remembered as the finest seen for many years. Dense crowds took advantage of the fine weather to line the route and cheer vociferously. The Progress of Education was the leading feature of the procession, the students of the Polytechnic Institute, in honour of their President, took part in some wonderful tableaux. Their representations of the famous giant effigies in the Guildhall, "Gog" and "Magog," created much amusement. The Polytechnic Students' tableau "Gog" and "Magog" in the Lord Mayor's Show.—(Sport and General).



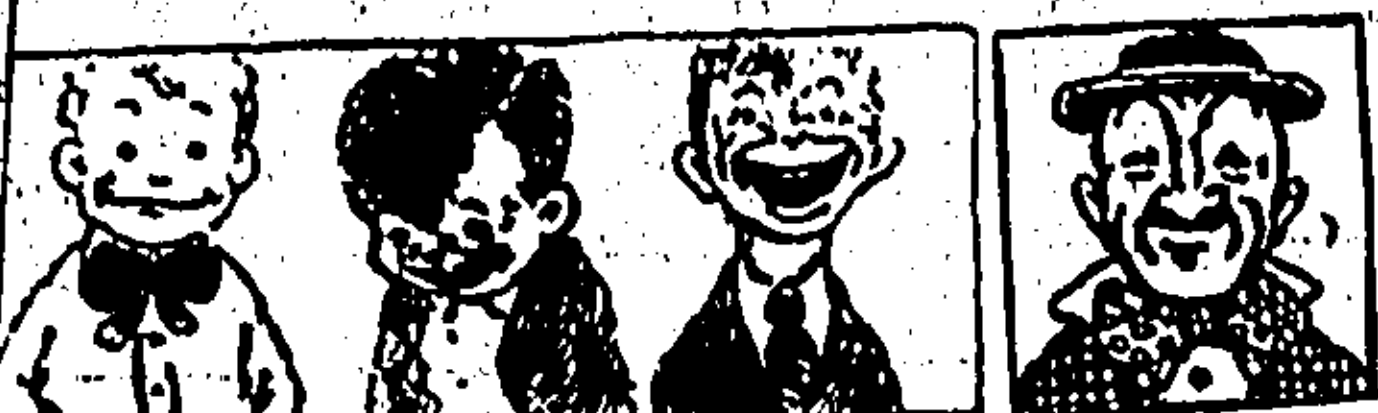
MISS ISABEL MACDONALD.—The 23-years-old daughter of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (Britain's first Labour Premier), who has been elected to the London County Council.



MOTOR RACING.—Although the racing season had concluded at Home, the track at Brooklands, Surrey, was crowded, despite the bad weather, for the fourth high speed reliability trials organised by the Motor Cycling Club. Here is the start of the one-hour trial (class L) for cars up to 850 c.c.—(Sport and General).



FLYING RECORD.—Flight Lt. D'Arcy Greig, R.A.F., whose plane flew the fastest time recorded but did not set up a new world's record owing to a technicality which requires the holder's time to be exceeded by not less than five miles an hour.



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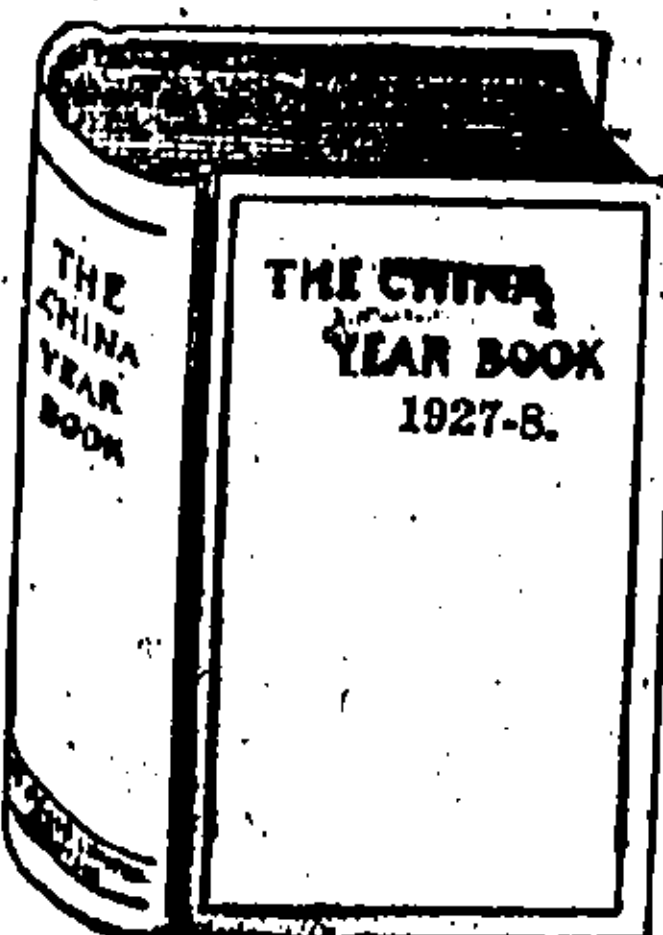
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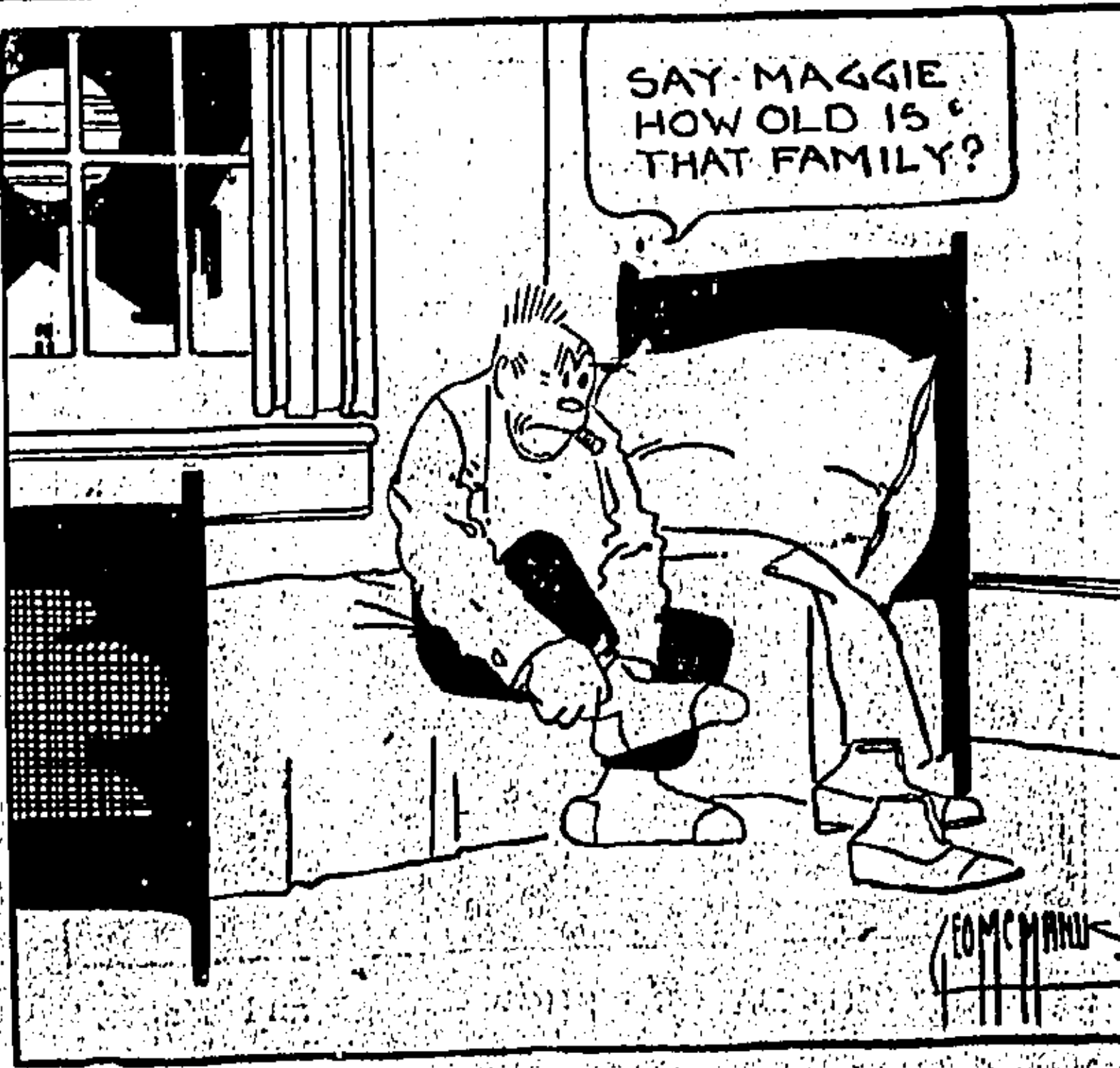
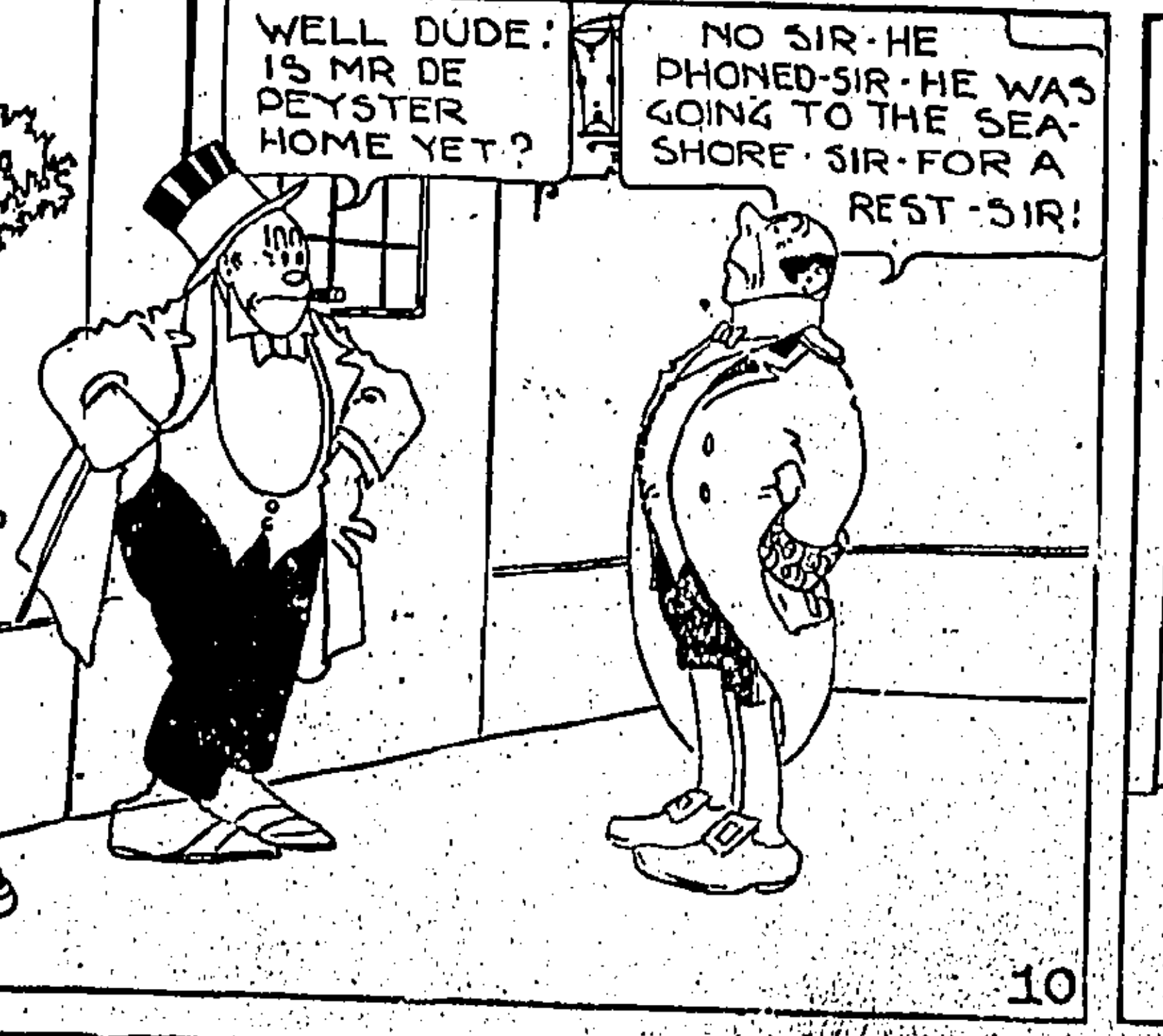
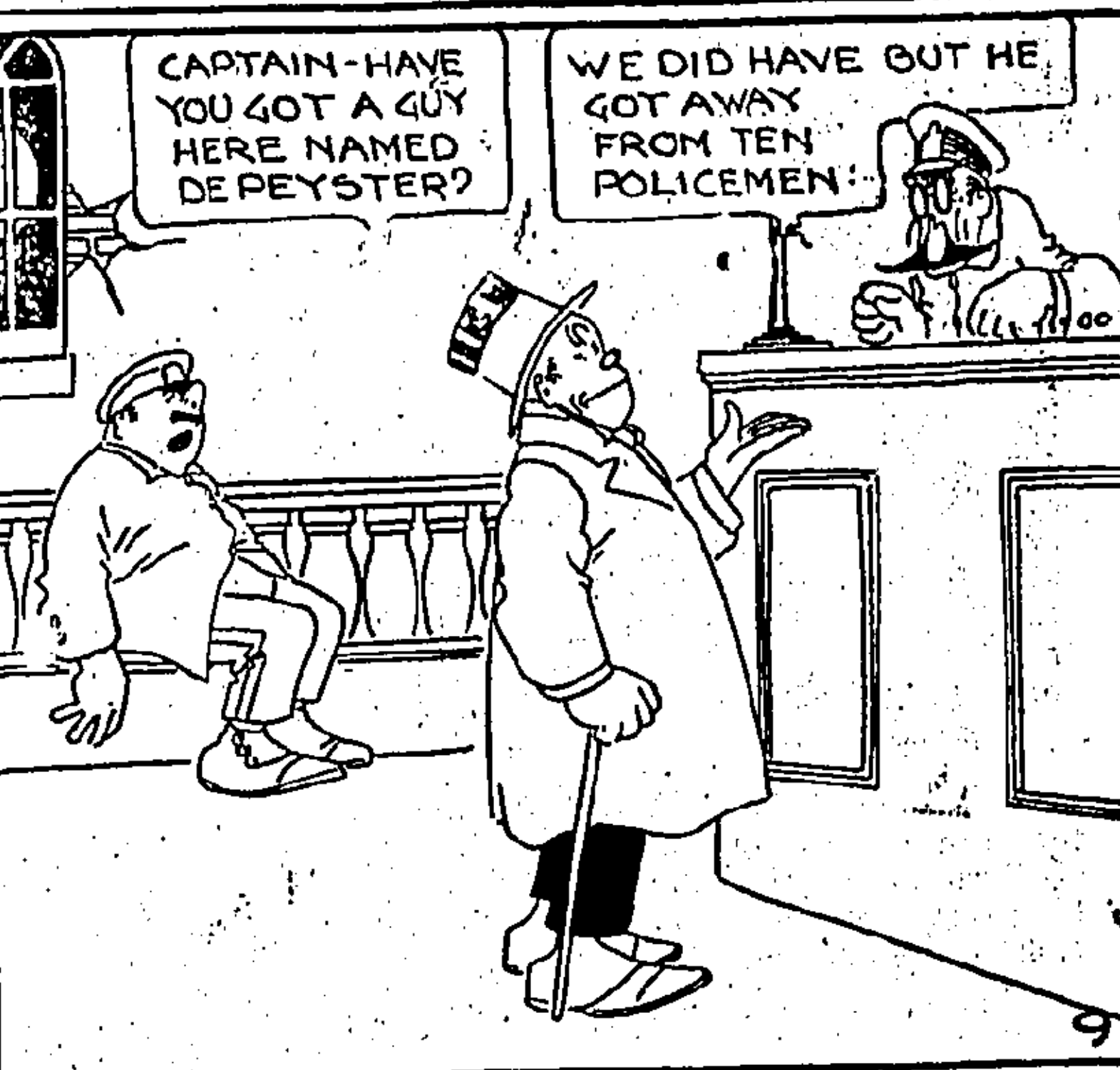
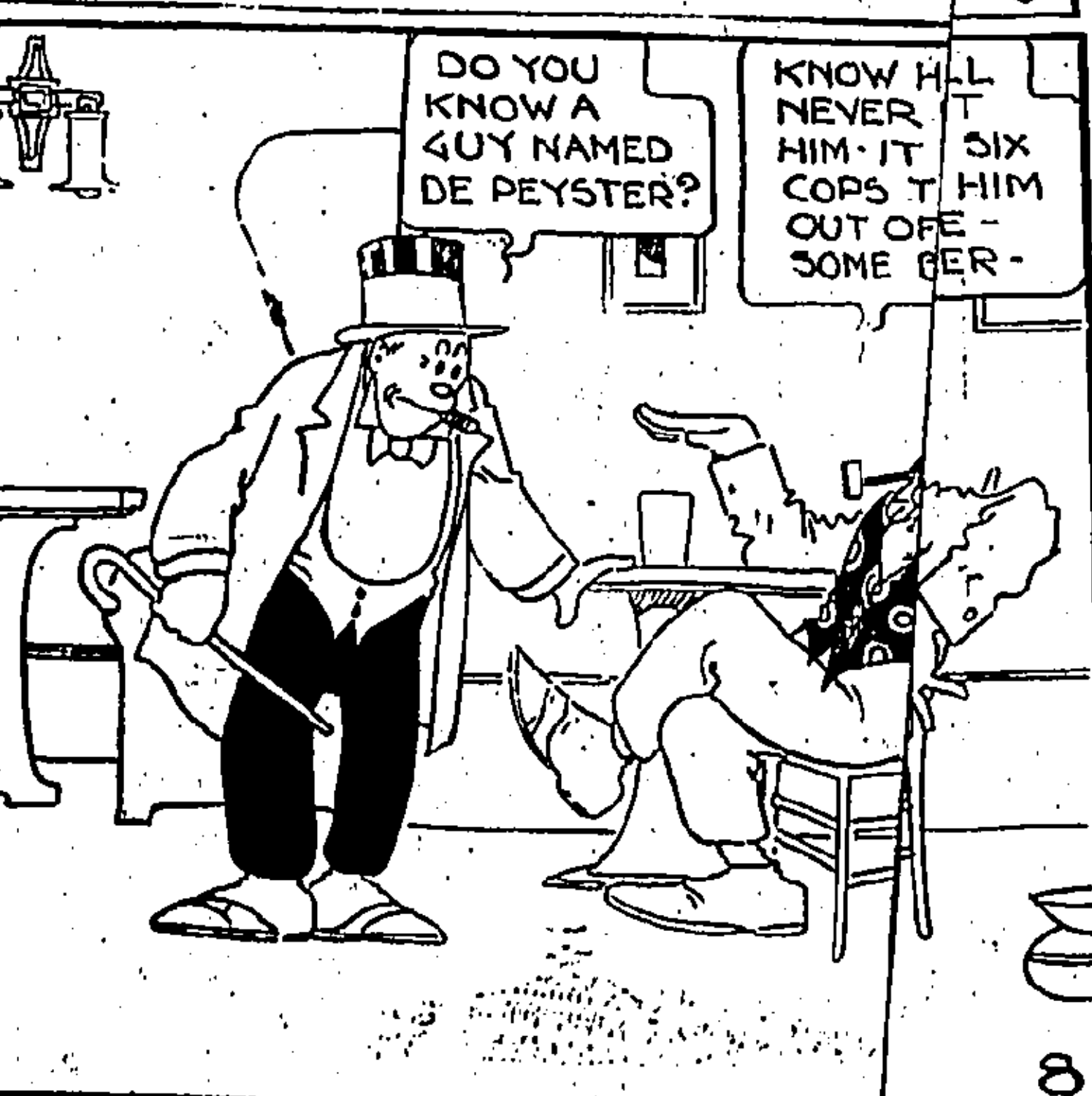
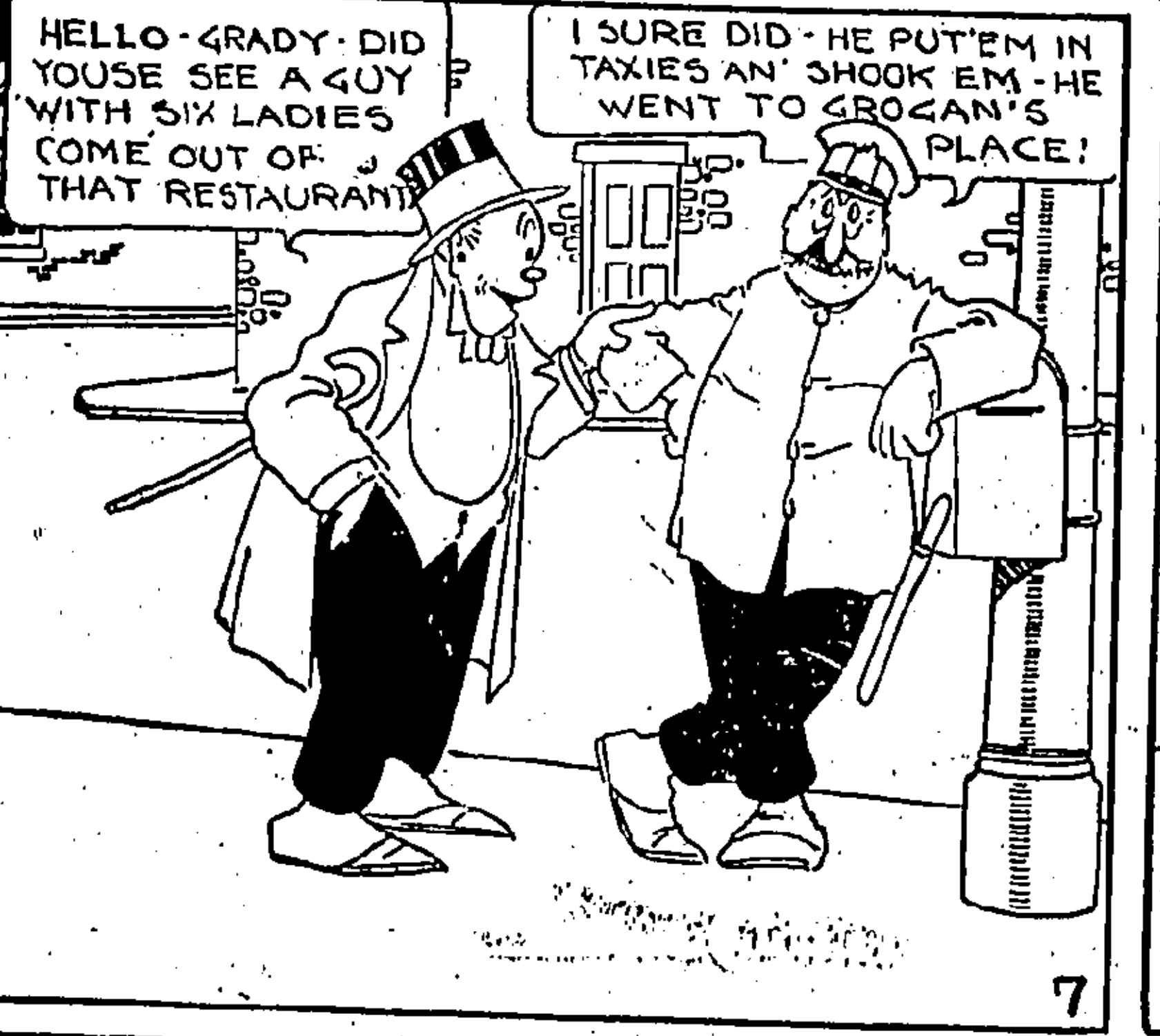
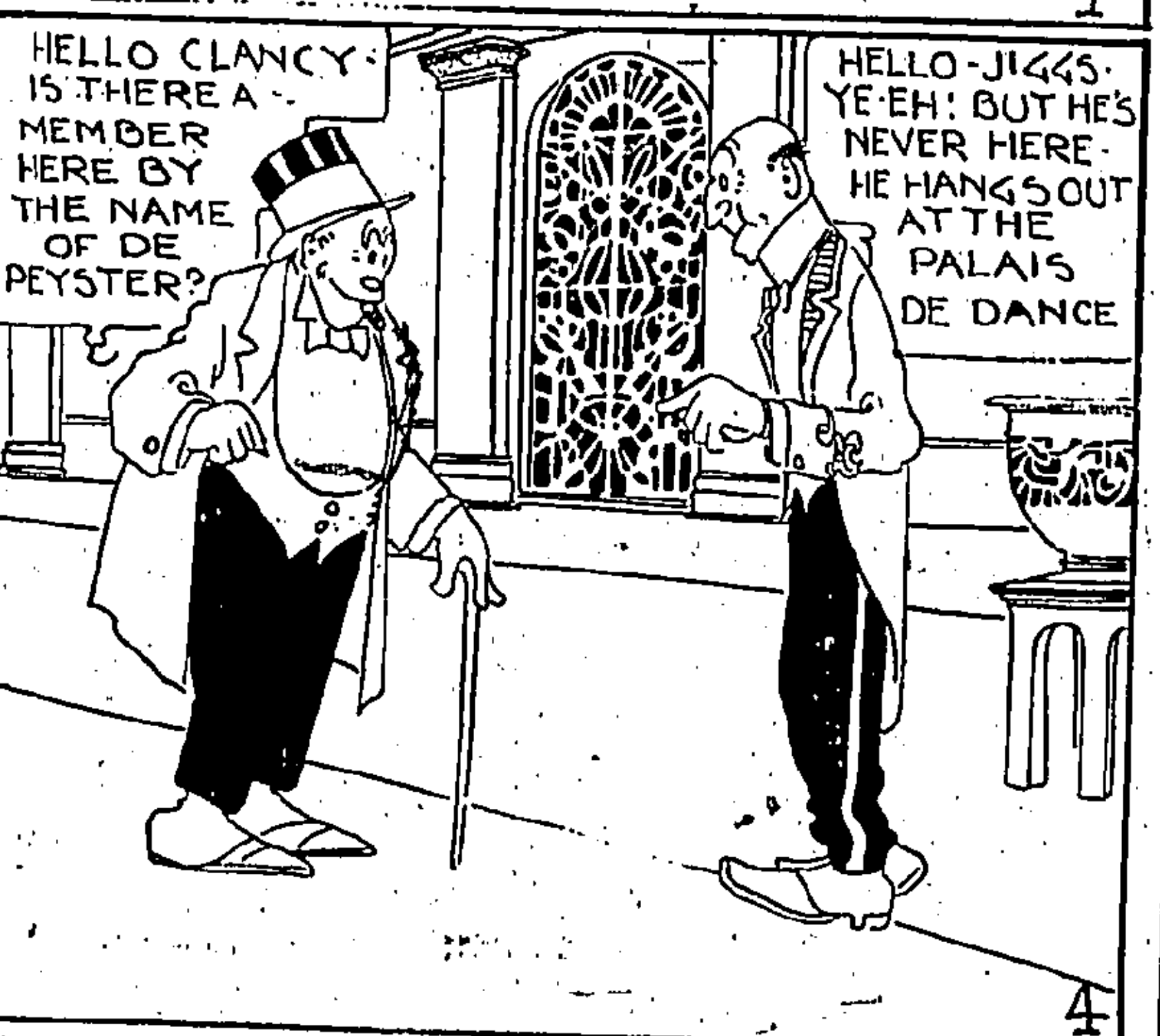
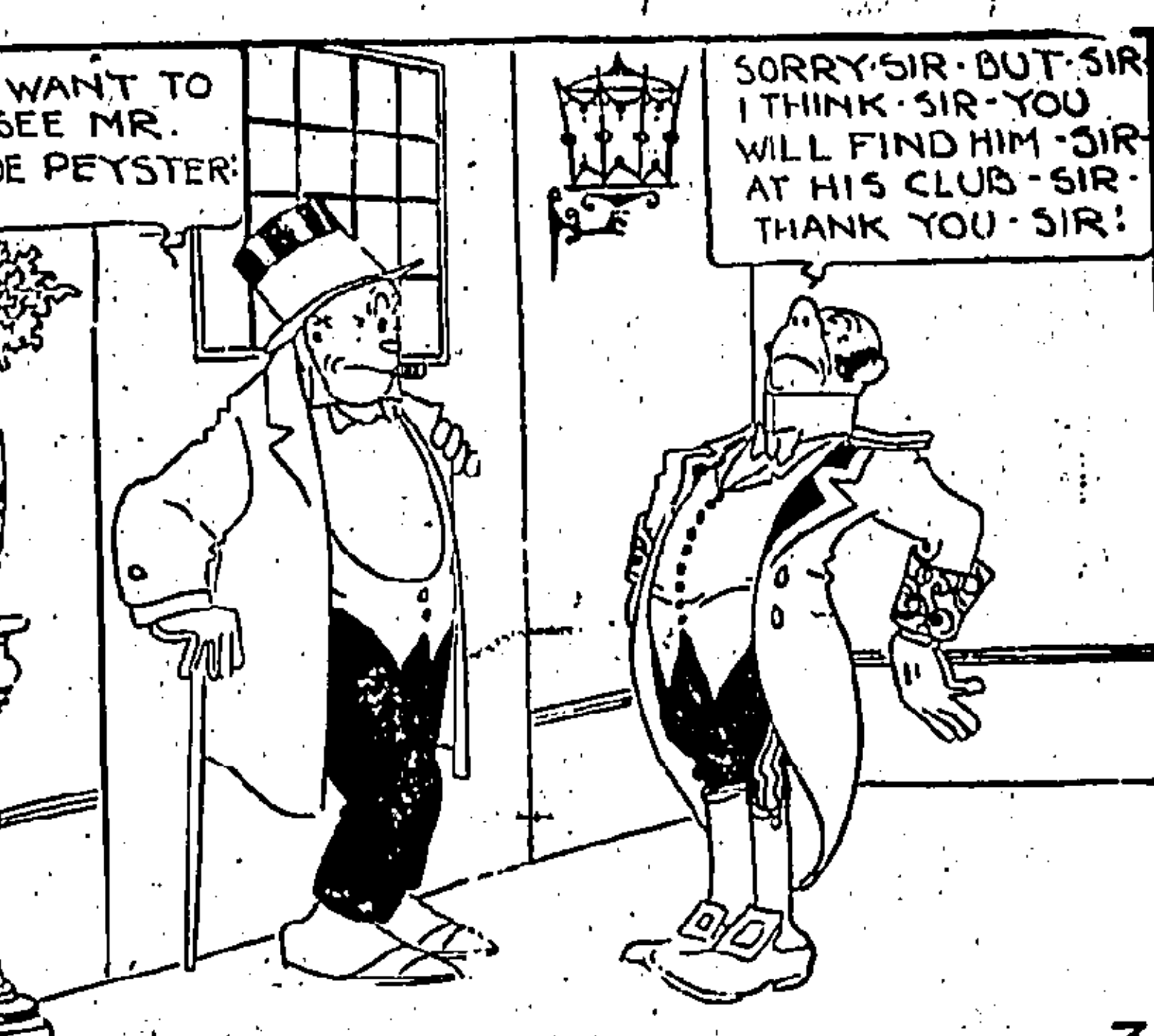
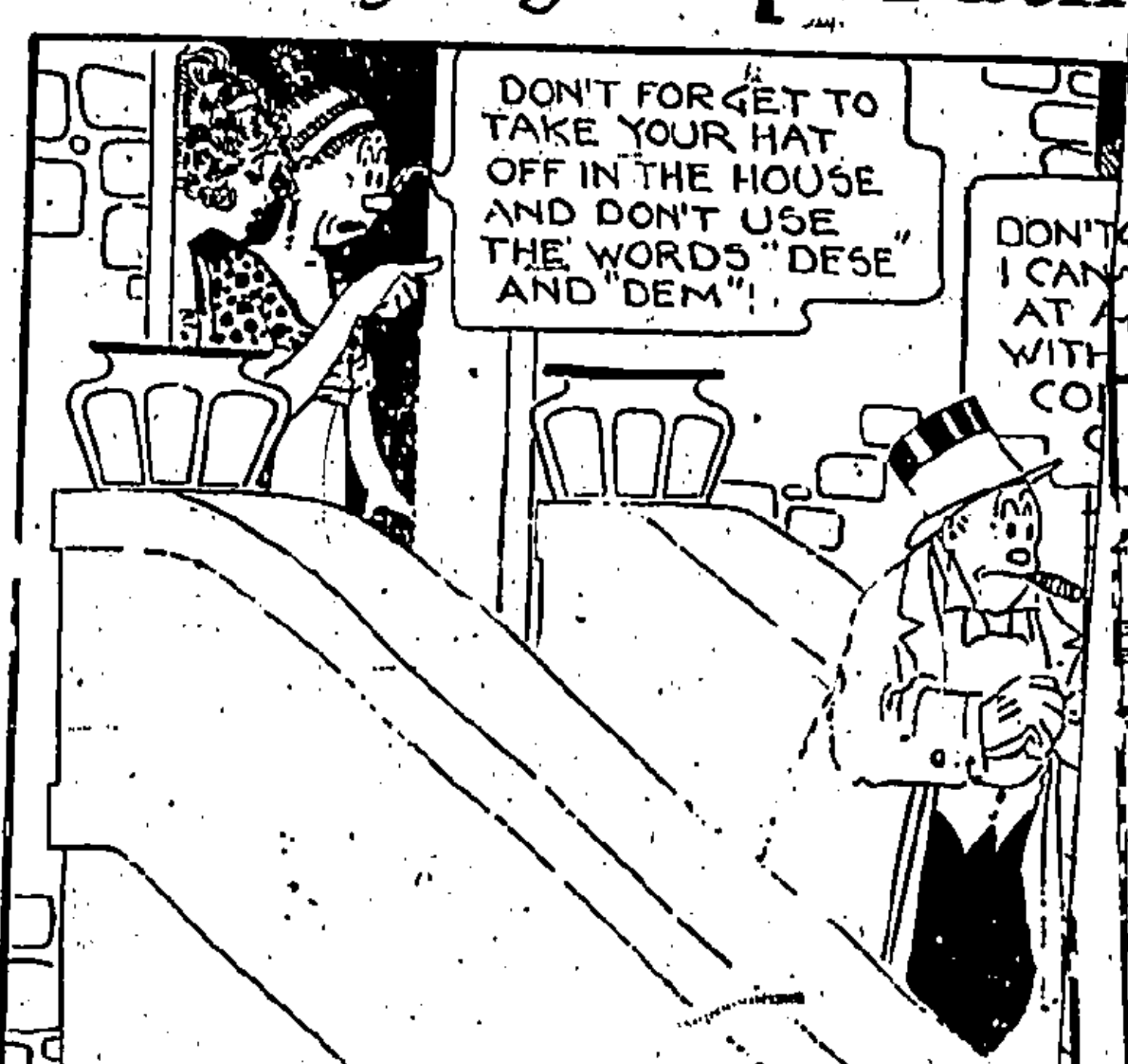
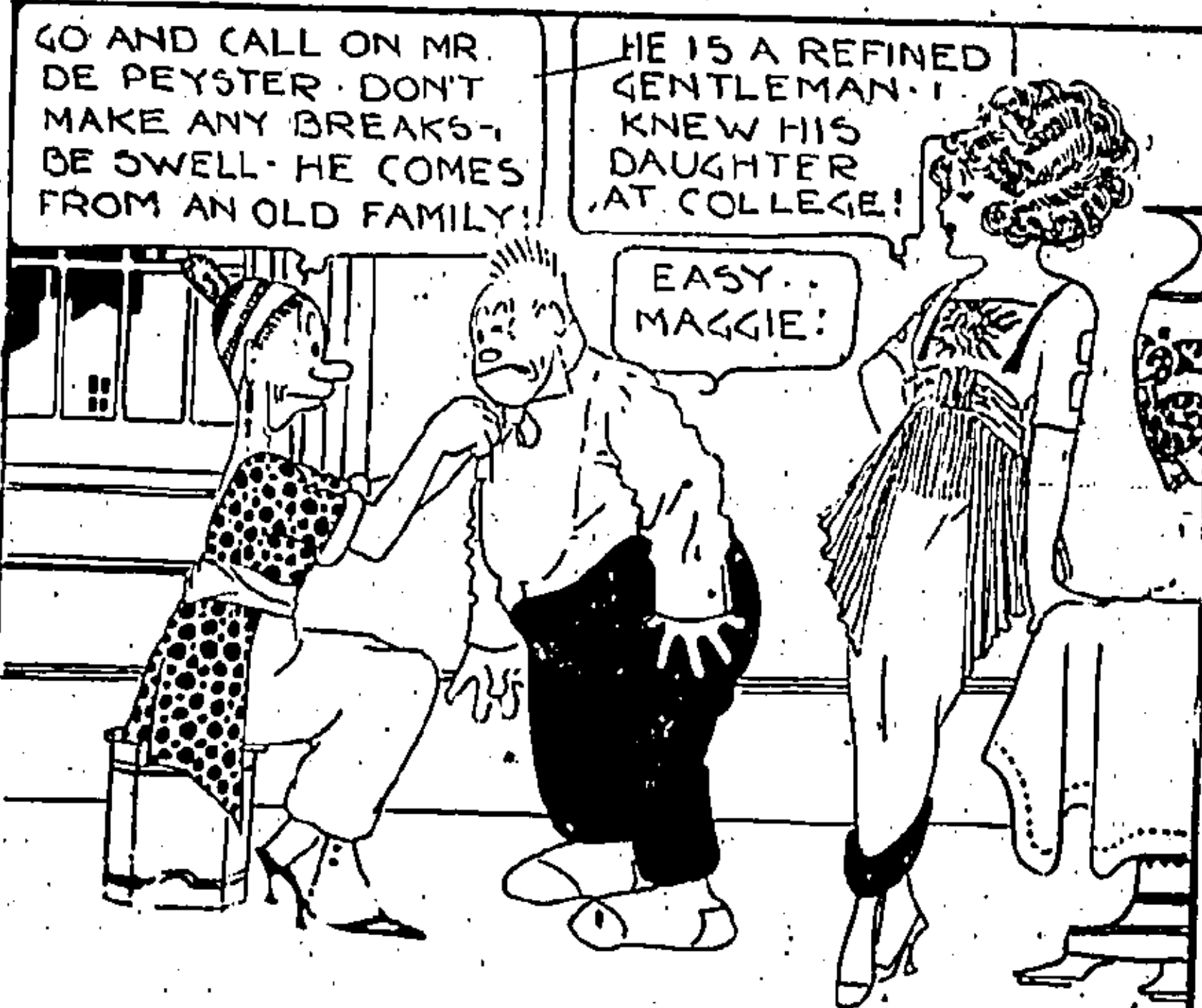


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OUR WEEKLY SERMON

"China Mail" Rakes The Globe For Messages

X-IS ANYONE HONEST?

Scientific Tests Show There's No Such Thing!

[By Herbert B. Hawkes, Dean of Columbia College]

For a change this week, the "China Mail" is giving a layman's "sermon." It might be called — "Posers by Professors." In fact it is hardly a sermon but, in these days, it serves equally well as some orations from the pulpit.

Why do we call some men honest? Is honesty a quality like red hair, that one either has or does not have? What conditions in early training are most likely to encourage an honest attitude? Does knowledge of honesty, usually accompany honest behaviour? Does a desire to do the honest thing, necessarily mean honest action? How can parents and teachers most effectively help a child to be honest?

For some reason that is hard to understand, most of us have had the idea that honesty is a general trait possessed by some human beings and not possessed by others.

If this were true one could find out whether or not a person is honest by the same method as one would test a water-melon. Take out a sample plug. If the plug is good the whole melon is good, if bad the whole is bad.

For the last five years Professor Hugh Hartshorne, of Teacher's College, Columbia University, and Professor Mark A. May, of Yale University, have been engaged in an investigation of this field under a subvention from the Institute of Social and Religious Research.

They have first attempted to obtain an idea of the extent to which a knowledge of good and evil exists among the thousands of children whom they have examined. To accomplish this a great variety of situations have been described to children and their answers kept for comparison with the actual behaviour of the same children.

A large number of situations of the following types were presented. Sample: Jane's family was too poor to buy fruit for her sick brother. So every now and then Jane took an apple or an orange from a fruit stand and brought it home to him.

Now, if you think she was absolutely wrong in taking the fruit put a circle around the W. But if she did exactly right encircle the R. If you think she was wrong, but excusable in view of her desire to bring it to her sick brother, encircle the Ex.

Begin here and do the rest in the same way:—

1—Helen noticed that nearly every one in the class was cheating on a test, so she cheated, too. R. Ex. W.

2—Charles did not want to play marbles for keeps, but the boys called him a "sissy," so he went ahead and played for keeps anyway. R. Ex. W.

3—On the way to Sunday school Jack matched pennies with the other boys in order to get some money for the Sunday school collection. R. Ex. W.

A study of these results indicates that there is no Moral Knowledge Age similar to the Mental Age that is so well understood. Moral knowledge depends on something beside the age of the individual.

The investigation is concerned not only with mere knowledge of the difference between a high level and a low level of integrity, but with an estimate as to whether the child thinks he would actually do the right thing or, at any rate, would like to behave on the higher level. From a multitude of devices used to get this information this is one:—

If another pupil wants to copy your work and hand it in:

(a) Let him do it and say nothing about it.

(b) Let him do it, but tell the teacher.

(c) Don't let him do it and say nothing.

(d) Don't let him do it and tell the teacher he wanted to.

(e) Don't let him do it and tell him that you don't approve of cheating.

The following are two of the situations used in another investigation. Two tests in arithmetic of equal difficulty were so carefully prepared that if a child were able to answer a certain number of questions in one test he would certainly be able to answer at least about the same number on the other one. One of these tests was given to students who were asked to correct their own papers by referring to a set of answers to the questions which were given to them by the teachers. The next day the other test was given to the same children, but no answers were provided. By comparing the results of the two tests the boys and girls who cheated in rating their own questions could be determined with reasonable accuracy.

AL FRESCO FETE

SUNDAY'S EFFORT FOR THE POOR

MANY ATTRACTIONS

Arrangements are in full swing for the 45th Annual Bazaar of the St. Vincent de Paul, which will be held to-morrow in the Compound of the R. C. Cathedral from 3.30 p.m. onwards.

Judging from the enthusiasm of the members of the Committee, assisted by a large number of willing helpers, the Fete promises to provide not only Toys of every description for children but also fun and frolic for all folks.

Over 7,000 toys have been imported from Europe, and these can be won at the various stalls at prices ranging from 10 cents to a maximum of \$1.00. As in previous years there will again be the popular Farmyard Stall, where might be won Hams, Sausages, well-fed turkeys, geese, capons, sucking pigs, etc., all from the Dairy Farm Co.

The big feature of the Fete will naturally be the Draw for the Pontiac Six, a five-seater Sedan of luxury car and ten consolation prizes. This will take place at about 10.30 p.m. The car is being taken round the town since the last two days, mounted on a truck and presents a striking appearance. Tickets for this draw, at \$3.00 each are still obtainable and will be sold up to 6 p.m. on the day of the Fete.

Another special feature will be a Surprise Cake with 500 slices, every slice concealing a prize. Sovereigns, half-sovereigns, jewels and coins are amongst the articles hidden in the slices.

Last but not least there will be Variety Entertainments given by members of the Concert Party of H.M.S. "Titanic," of the Churchill and Tait "Manila Shows," which have just arrived for a short season in the Colony, and a troupe of Chinese Magicians and Fire-eaters. The novelty of this Variety Entertainment is that each performance will last only half an hour. Entirely new turns at each performance. Admission will be at the very modest price of 30 cents for adults and 20 cents for children.

The welfare of the inner man is not neglected. Besides tea which will be served by Lane, Crawford & Co., a stall will supply at very moderate price Hot Dogs made with Lane Crawford's rolls, and Dairy Farm succulent Frankfurter Sausages fried in Crisco. For the small sum of 20 cents one will be able to purchase one of these appetising and gratifying combination at the hands of some young ladies who will add thereto mustard and pickle.

The grounds will be brilliantly illuminated in the evening and the popular full Military band of the K.O.S.B. under bandmaster Mr. W. H. FitzEagle, A.R.C.M. will play both in the afternoon and the evening, by kind permission of Lt. Col. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O. and officers.

Given good weather and the well-known charitable support which the Hong Kong public invariably extend to every deserving cause, the 45th Al Fresco Fete will go down in the annals of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul as another proof of public generosity to provide the much needed wherewithal for another year's work in the relief of the misery of the distressed in our midst.—Contributed.

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To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Ramona."

To-day—World Theatre; "Safety Last."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Across The Pacific."

Dec. 9-10—Queen's Theatre, "Swim Girl Swim."

Dec. 9-10—World Theatre; "Brown of Harvard."

Dec. 9-10—Star Theatre; "Behind The Front."

Dec. 11-12—Queen's Theatre; "The King of Kings."

Dec. 11-12—World Theatre; "The Road to Romance."

Dec. 11-12—Star Theatre; "Rough House Rosie."

Dec. 13-15—Queen's Theatre; "Barbed Wire."

Dec. 13-15—World Theatre; "The Prince of Pilsen."

Dec. 13-15—Star Theatre "The Escape."

Dec. 13—Concert at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Dec. 14, 15, 17, 18 21, 22—Theatre Royal; The Hong Kong Philharmonic Society presents "Tom Jones," 9 p.m.

Dec. 14—H.K.V.D.C. Machine Gun Company Dance, City Hall, 8 p.m.

Dec. 16—Public Band Concert, Botanic Gardens, 4-5.30 p.m.

Dec. 19—Theatre Royal; The Hong Kong Philharmonic Society presents "Tom Jones," 4.30 p.m.

Land Sale.

Dec. 10—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Shamshui, 3 p.m.

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Dec. 12—At Sales Room, Duddell-st., Valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Meeting.

Dec. 10—Meeting of creditors of Tait & Co., in Court Room at H.P.M. Consulate, Amoy, 10 a.m.

Sports.

Dec. 9—Fanning Hunt meet at Lok Ma Chau cross roads, 10.30 a.m.

Dec. 11—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey 1st XI v. H.K. Club II, 5 p.m.

Dec. 12—Fanning Hunt meet at Kennels, 2.30 p.m.

Dec. 12—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, "A" v. "C," 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 13—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI v. University II, 5 p.m.; Whist Drive, Open to Ladies, tickets, \$1.9 p.m.

Dec. 14—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, v. St. Andrews Y.M., 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 15—Fanning Hunt meet at Sheng Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Dec. 16—Fanning Paper Hunt Dec. Cup, Jardine's Bungalow, 11 a.m.

Dec. 19—Fanning meet at Mr. Potts's bungalow, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Sales of Work, Union Church, Kowloon, 3 p.m.

Dec. 9—St. Vincent de Paul Bazaar, Roman Catholic Cathedral Compound, Glenageary.

Dec. 9—Drawing of a Pontiac Six 5-seater sedan motor car at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's fete.

Dec. 9—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Quiet Hour, Speaker: Mr. P. Sands, 9 p.m.

Dec. 10—Final dance Committee meeting of the H.K.V.D.C. (Machine Gun Co.), Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.

Dec. 11—Formal opening of the Peninsula, Hotel, Kowloon, by H.E. the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G. at 4.30 p.m. and reception at the Hotel from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

December 14—Hong Kong Automobile Association's annual dinner dance, at Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

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2.45 p.m. Sunday School.

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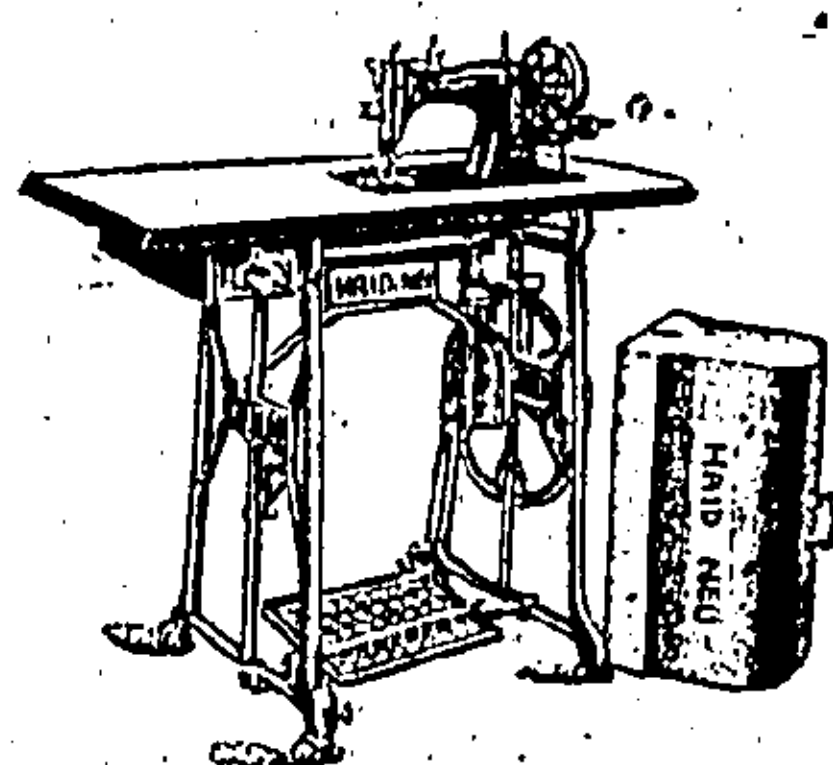
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comes to Hong Kong with the finest
of references, as it has been
in Burma, the Straits Settlements,
Federated Malay States and India
for several years. Last holiday
season, the shows played at Calcutta
for ten weeks.

Business will depend on the
length of the Hong Kong engage-
ment; but as the show is very well
liked by the Chinese, there is reason
to believe that it will be here at
least until after the holidays. The
children of the Colony will enjoy
a Christmas at the Manila Shows
carnival grounds.
The Show has been busy for sev-
eral days getting the huge equip-
ment ready. Admission to the
grounds is 10 cents.

JAPAN & CHINA

MR. TOKONAMI TO VISIT
NATIONALISTS

Tokyo, Yesterday.
The departure to Shanghai of
Mr. Tokonami this evening, is
causing much conjecture, espe-
cially as he intends meeting the
leading Nationalists, afterwards
proceeding to Manchuria.
There is reason to believe that
Baron Tanaka will listen to any
suggestions he may make after
his return. Baron Tanaka may
modify his China policy, accord-
ingly, with the purpose of ensur-
ing the support of Mr. Tokonami's
Shinto Party during the coming
session of the Diet, thus ensuring
a Government majority.
It is believed Mr. Tokonami
would like to see Japan supporting
the Nationalists, in return for
recognition of Japan's predomi-
nant economic interests in Man-
churia.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI TRAM STRIKE

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Foreigners are now manning
essential services in the French
Concession in an effort to break
the strike of the French Tramway
Co.'s employees.
The Co. has declined to accept
the overtures of the local branch
of the Kuomintang Party, which
has offered to negotiate on behalf
of the strikers. The Co. repudi-
ates the status of the Kuomint-
tang.

It is authoritatively stated that
the Tramway Co. is insisting upon
the return of the strikers before
entering into negotiation. The
radicals are now attempting to
involve the Settlement workers
in the dispute.—Reuter.

YEN HSI-SHAN

Nanking, Yesterday.
Marshal Yen Hsi-shan arrived
early this morning and was wel-
comed by Marshal Chiang Kai-
shek and other prominent mem-
bers of the Government.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The foregoing message concern-
ing Yen Hsi-shan was an official
statement. Reuter's Nanking
correspondent states that up to a
late hour this evening, Yen Hsi-
shan had not arrived. This
afternoon the Pukow Railway
officials stated that Yen was not
travelling in Sir Miles Lampson's
train, but just behind the British
Minister. Later, the same offi-
cials stated there was no news
of Yen's train and his where-
abouts were unknown.—Reuter.

BANDITS IN NORTH

Kalgan, Yesterday.
The region between Kalgan and
Dolonor is dangerously infested
by bandits, mostly ex-soldiers, but
including bands of Mongols who
are seriously interfering with
motor traffic from Kalgan.
The Chinese authorities are
sending a mobile force of 5,000,
accompanied by 40 armoured
cars, to suppress the bandits.—
Reuter.

CHINA'S NEW TARIFF

Nanking, Yesterday.
The new tariff schedule was
adopted by the State Council to-
day and promulgated. It will be
enforced from Feb. 1, for one year
only.—Reuter.

Mrs. Shave, who is a doctor, has
been nominated to fill the vacancy
caused in the Punjab Legislative
Council by the resignation of Dr.
C. A. Owen, a representative of the
European and Anglo-Indian com-
munity. Mrs. Shave is the first
woman to become a member of the
Council.

"THE KING OF KINGS"

FAMOUS FILM TO BE SCREEN
AGAIN
AT THE QUEEN'S

In response to numerous requests,
the famous dramatic production
"The King of Kings" will be screen-
ed at the Queen's Theatre on Tues-
day and Wednesday next, according
to a special advertisement in this
issue. Perhaps no other film ever
produced has caused so much con-
flict as this screen version of the
life story of Jesus Christ, but one
point upon which the critics have
agreed is that the sacred story has
been handled with great reverence
and thought by its eminent pro-
ducer, Cecil B. de Mille.
The most striking comment in its
favour is by a writer in the "Chris-
tian World." He said: "I was struck
by its simplicity and by the power
of its appeal to a popular audience.
I saw people go in—talking lightly
and laughingly, very much like the
pleasure-seekers who were throng-
ing the doors of the neighbouring
theatres. I saw them come out—
silent, awed, subdued, with a look
of wrapt wonder in their eyes. If
anyone had told me that the cruci-
fixion could be enacted on the screen
without any offence to devout feel-
ing or fastidious taste, I should
have dismissed the suggestion as
wildly impossible."

Much of the picture is photo-
graphed in the technicolour process,
thus enhancing certain scenes
which demand a lavish setting.
Nothing that lends itself to pictorial
beauty has been omitted from this
unique production.

MALARIA CONTROL

SIR MALCOLM WATSON'S
INTERESTING REVIEW

The work which has been done in
recent years for the prevention of
malaria was described at a meet-
ing held in connection with the
Ross Institute for Tropical Diseases
in the Council Room of the Rubber
Growers' Association in Eastcheap.
A statement was also made with re-
gard to the purposes for which an
Industrial Anti-Malaria Advisory
Committee has been formed.
Sir Charles McLeod, chairman of
the Ross Institute, who presided,
said that, in spite of a continual
financial struggle, the executive
committee and the directors, ably
assisted by their organizing sec-
retary, had done exceedingly good
work by means of their anti-
malaria campaign.

Sir Malcolm Watson, who ad-
dressed the meeting, said that the
medical profession, in a resolution
which was passed at the congress
of the Far Eastern Association of
Tropical Medicine held at Calcutta
in December, 1927, had given a un-
animous opinion and laid down a
clear-cut policy on the subject of
malaria control. They considered
that for towns, mines, plantations
large public works and similar ag-
gregations of people the control of
the breeding places of the malaria-
carrying species of mosquitoes was
a method which should be employ-
ed whatever other anti-malarial
measures were put into force.
They also stated that wherever
possible control should be effected
by permanent works which elimi-
nated entirely the source of mosquito
breeding. Before effect could be
given to this resolution certain very
real difficulties would have to be
faced. In the first place, malaria
control by means of mosquito con-
trol was not primarily a medical
question at all. Medical men were
trained principally in the diagnosis
of disease and the treatment of the
sick; the prevention of malaria was
more a health problem, and in the
tropics health officers were the ex-
ception and not the rule.

Control of Mosquitoes

The second difficulty had been
that the control of mosquitoes was
more than anything else an entom-
ological question. Some mosquitoes
lived in shade and some in sun-
shine. The destruction of shade in
certain places might introduce
these dangerous light-loving insects
and increase existing malaria. The
third difficulty was that for many
forms of mosquito control a knowl-
edge of drainage was necessary,
and medical men were not trained
in engineering schemes. The In-
dustrial Advisory Committee hoped
to be of assistance to tropical in-
dustry in supplying expert advice
which was necessary before an em-
ployer could go ahead on a scheme
with confidence that the money ex-
pended would give the desired re-
sults. The Institute and hospital
received sick men from the tropics,
and it was open to medical men to
come for advice or to work on the
problems in which they were parti-
cularly interested. There would be
established what he believed would
be a unique museum illustrating all
the habits of the mosquito, and in-
formation would be given to medi-
cal men as to how the insects could
be controlled.
Expeditions would be sent abroad
from time to time to study problems
on the spot along with local medi-
cal men and to discuss with them
what steps could be taken to con-
trol the disease. He had read many

NOTICE

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THE TENTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at
the Head Office of the Company,
St. George's Building, Chater Road,
Victoria, Hong Kong, on MONDAY,
the 24th day of DECEMBER, 1928,
at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for
the purpose of receiving a State-
ment of Accounts and the Report
of the Directors for the year end-
ed 30th September, 1928, and elect-
ing Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
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A Large Quantity of
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Cigars, Tea, Medicine, Sangli, Cop-
per Ware, and Empty Bottles, etc.,
etc.

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Hong Kong, 8th Dec., 1928.

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ON
SATURDAY, 15th December, 1928,
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A Quantity of
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On View from Friday, the 14th
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MONDAY, 17th December, 1928,
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at No. 36A, Queen's Road, Central
(opposite Queen's Theatre).
A FINE Assortment of
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Comprising:—
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etc.
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December, 1928.

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Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 8th Dec., 1928.

reports about malaria in Africa,
but he had not heard any reports
of the places in Africa that were
healthy, and yet these were the
places which were to be the key to
the solution of the African prob-
lem. Ultimately, as the demand
for anti-malarial work grew great-
er, he hoped there would be a staff
of expert research officers and en-
gineers, the need for which was
stressed by the Calcutta Congress.

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own husband is swearing, but you
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The "Overland" is the only illustrated weekly budget of local
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All subjects are given their fair proportion of space.
Among the most notable this week are:—

The Carvalho Yeo (Treasury) trial.
Legal reforms in the Colony.
St. Andrew's Society annual ball and observances.
Large seizures of arms, etc.
Trial of the man alleged to have taken part in the
"Anking" piracy in which two Britons lost their lives.

RESIDENTS BACK FROM LEAVE

Many residents have just returned to Hong Kong
after holidays at Home and elsewhere. For the first
few days one's conscience can be calmed by thoughts that
time is needed to unpack and to get settled down again. Then
that letter must go.

What you have to say for yourself no one else can write
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pening out here that is a task that the "Overland China Mail"
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Sport Columns

SOCCER RULERS

WHAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE DECIDED

A VARIETY OF TOPICS

The "China Mail" has been favoured with copies of the minutes of meetings of the Emergency Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association, of the Council of the H. K. F.A., and of the H. K. Amateur Football League.

Suspensions of several players, as indicated by "Royer" in his weekly notes yesterday, are referred to, as follows:—

Herridge of the Reserves XI of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regt.: until April 30, 1929. This is in connection with a division II League match v. Chinese Athletic on Nov. 17. The captain of the Athletic team, Ng Po-lau, was suspended until Feb. 1, 1929 because his side refused to continue with the game. The Chinese Athletic Association has been warned that it is "responsible for players being acquainted with the rules, that they must be instructed to obey the referee without question, and that should there be a repetition of the offence it will render the Club liable to expulsion from the Association."

Nellis of Royal Artillery was suspended until Jan. 1, 1929 for conduct in a division I League match v. South China A. I.

Lai Wah Cup
Final of the Lai Wah Cup (Chinese v. the Army), fixed for Dec. 15: 11 miniature cups are to be presented to the winners.

The Poppy Day Game's gross receipts of \$228.70 are to be allotted to the Poppy Day Fund, the F. A. bearing the expenses of \$124.65.

South China Command Sports Board fixtures: Dec. 18, on the H. K. F. C. ground, Royal Navy v. the Army in their annual game for charity. Jan. 1, at Sookumpoo, the Army v. Rest of the Colony, in aid of the Army branch of the Ministering Children's League; Messrs. J. W. Barber, J. Ormiston and H. K. Lee to choose "the Rest" team.

"Sunday Herald" Cup
"Sunday Herald" Charity Cup: Sub-committee to select teams have been appointed as follows:—
England: Messrs. F. Smith, G. T. May, Capt. A. W. Austin, M.C., M.M.

Scotland: Messrs. R. Hall, J. Ormiston, Lt. J. D. A. MacLaren.
Members of the F. A. Council and the League Management Committee have been issued with passes entitling them to admission into all grounds and stands under the jurisdiction of the F. A.

Entries for the Hong Kong Challenge Shield competition (the local equivalent of the Cup-tie at Home) must be sent in immediately the draw for the first round will be made on Dec. 28.

In a League match, division I, 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B. v. South China on Nov. 3, the former team played Reeves who was not registered. The game is to be re-played and the gate proceeds to go to the League.

Fines Imposed
Kowloon F. C. have been fined \$10 and warned for not fulfilling a division II engagement v. the 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B. and not informing their opponents of intended postponement.

Because of the pressure of examinations, the University did not fill their division I League engagements on Nov. 17, 24 and Dec. 8. The Amateur Football League imposed a fine of \$10 and passed the following resolution:—

That the University F. C. and all players registered for them at this date (Dec. 4) be suspended from the H. K. Amateur Football League for the rest of the season, and that previous games in which they had participated this season be expunged from the records.

Didn't Answer the "Sec."
Because the Club de Recreo failed to turn out a team against South China "A" in division II of the League on Nov. 10 and also because of subsequent developments, the League imposed a fine of \$10 and recorded:—

"For failing to reply to correspondence sent by the League Hon. Secretary, the Club de Recreo Junior Division players are suspended until such time as correspondence is answered, and until a satisfactory explanation is received as to their previous failure to do so."

Had No Gear
Royal Artillery failed to appear against South China "B" in division II on Nov. 17. Their explanation—absence of gear—has been accepted and the match will be played later on.
Mr. E. de Sousa, (Club de Recreo) resigned from the League Management Committee on leaving

GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR TO-MORROW

AT FANLING

9.25 a.m.	R. H. Hollis, K. S. Robertson.
9.30 "	J. M. Walker, A. E. Lissaman.
9.35 "	A. T. Lay, O. E. C. Marton.
9.40 "	T. L. Christie, F. J. de Rome.
9.45 "	H. H. Lennox, A. H. Ferguson.
9.50 "	I. W. Shewan, T. G. Bennett.
9.55 "	D. G. G. MacDonald, L. R. Andrewes.
10.00 "	L. Yates, E. Stone.
10.04 "	H. G. Howard, J. M. Norrie.
10.08 "	E. R. Hallifax, A. B. Raworth.
10.12 "	E. Davidson, C. B. Johnson.
10.16 "	F. A. Merry, Major Beamish.
10.20 "	A. Leach, A. B. Purves.
10.24 "	J. Coulthart, G. W. Jeffries.
10.28 "	A. R. Cox, D. M. Goodall.
10.32 "	J. S. Dykes, W. A. Weight.
10.36 "	T. Grant, J. Cameron.
10.40 "	W. J. Clark, E. D. Lawrence.
10.44 "	D. L. MacWhirter, N. K. Littlejohn.
10.48 "	B. J. Lacom, V. Benjamin.
10.52 "	N. L. Smith, H. U. Ireland.
10.56 "	K. L. Dugan, H. A. Lammert.
11.00 "	J. P. Sherry, R. J. J. Sneddon.
11.04 "	T. F. Chubb, J. D. Humphreys.
11.08 "	H. D. Browne, M. M. Maa.
11.12 "	C. P. Ross, H. Spicer.
11.16 "	J. D. Thomson, G. H. Wilson.
11.20 "	S. T. Butlin, W. J. S. Key.
11.24 "	L. Garner, G. W. Garrett.
11.28 "	W. C. Clark, T. A. Martin.
11.32 "	J. Gardner, A. Webster.

HOCKEY

H. K. HOCKEY CLUB'S TEAMS

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven in a match with the K.O.S.B. at the U.S.R.C. on Wednesday at 4.45 prompt.—W. K. Tait, O. E. C. Marton, D. Lyon, A. A. Dand (captain), E. J. R. Mitchell, J. E. Noronha, J. H. Plummer, H. Owen Hughes, E. D. Lawrence, C. C. Francis, and G. E. R. Divett.

The second eleven to meet the Y.M.C.A. on Monday at 4.45 at King's Park will be.—W. K. Tait, R. R. Todd, L. F. Nicholson (captain), A. J. W. Ashby, Major J. P. S. Greig, L. A. R. Duncan, T. J. Price, W. Woodyard, R. K. Valentine, W. A. Nowers and E. C. Fincher.

Kowloon Indians Win
Yesterday afternoon the hockey team of the Kowloon Indians Tennis Club met the Beds and Herts on the Marina ground and won by six goals to two.

The first half was closely contested, and when half-time was called, the Indians led by the odd goal in three. The Beds and Herts started the second half very promisingly, and equalised within five minutes.

After this the Indians dominated the game, and attacking often and well scored four more goals without reply.

In spite of their defeat, the Beds and Herts showed that they were a well balanced side which would do better after they become used to local conditions.

the Colony. Mr. R. A. Silva has been invited to fill the vacancy.

Transfers

The following transfers have been approved:—
Police R. C.: from division I to Mid-Week League, Sherry, as from Nov. 26; McEwan, Johnson, Muir from Dec. 4.

Club de Recreo: from division I to division II as from Nov. 28.
J. M. Silva from Club de Recreo to St. Joseph's College as from Nov. 15.

Choi Ping-fan from Mid-Week League to division II as from Oct. 28.

G. G. Edwards from University to Hong Kong F. C. as from Nov. 22.

The Committee passed the following resolution unanimously:—
"That where a player has played in Saturday football on more than one occasion, permission to be re-instated to Mid-Week football be refused."

CRICKET

LEAGUE AND "FRIENDLY" TEAMS

FOR TO-DAY

The following will represent the Kowloon C.C. in a friendly match against the Hong Kong C.C. to-day on the K.C.C. ground at 2 p.m.—F. Goodwin (Capt.), W. Brace, A. W. Ramsey, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, N. H. Ross, G. A. V. Hall, H. T. Buxton, F. S. W. Smith, E. Jex and Olliver.

Kowloon C.C. seconds will be represented by the following in their match against University seconds at Pokfulam at 2 p.m. to-day: H. Overy (Capt.), N. Mackay, D. S. Green, B. Petheram, A. R. F. Raven, G. Lee, O. B. Raven, A. E. Silkstone, Lt. H. A. R. Puttee, Lt. A. Laithwaite and E. R. Price.

Hong Kong Electric Team

The following will represent the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club in a friendly match against the Police Recreation Club, at Happy Valley to-day.—H. F. Akhurst, C. H. Coultas, L. de Rome, J. C. Dunbar, C. E. Gahagan, H. S. Jones, F. P. Lunney, H. M. Marshall, W. N. H. Murdoch, W. B. Muskett, and J. R. Way (Captain). Reserves:—G. T. Padgett and S. Deacon.

D.B.S. v. Hong Kong C.C. 2nd XI
The Diocesan Boys' School will be represented by the following in their match against the Hong Kong C.C. 2nd XI to-day on the Club ground.—Rev. W. T. Featherstone, J. L. Youngs, D. J. N. Anderson, W. H. Kwan, R. Lee, G. A. Lee, F. K. Lee, A. Prata, H. Jackson and R. Reed. Reserve, G. Winch. Scorer, A. T. Nomanbhoy.

VARSITY MATCH

Cambridge's Easy Win Over Oxford

In this annual inter-Varsity cricket match between local graduates of these two English Universities, Cambridge easily defeated Oxford on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground.

Oxford batted first and were all out for 127 runs. The best scorer for the side were A. E. Wood 47, B. C. K. Hawkins 38 and R. H. Dowler 25. Bowling for Cambridge, Wallington took five wickets for 26 runs, and Pendered three for 27.

Cambridge showed disregard for the Oxford bowling, and scoring consistently, had no difficulty in passing their opponents' total. They compiled 213 for the loss of only four wickets.

Abelson retired (not out) after he had collected 100 runs. The other scores were Moore 34, Traves 25 (not out), Barrow 22, and Pendered 17 (not out).

TENNIS

OPEN MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Playing yesterday in the third round of the open Mixed Doubles Tennis Championship tournament organised by the Chinese Recreation Club, Mrs. R. E. Lindsell and M. K. Lo were defeated by Miss Enid Lo and M. W. Lo, after a closely contested game which aroused considerable interest and was witnessed by a good attendance of tennis enthusiasts.

The winners took the match in two straight sets. The first went to them rather easily for 6-1, but the second set was strenuously fought out. It went into 22 games before Miss Lo and her brother won by 12-10.

As the result of yesterday's match, the winners now enter the semi-final in which they will meet Mrs. Miles and H. Owen Hughes. The other semi-finalists are Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham, and Lieut. and Mrs. Hale.

It is hoped to decide both the semi-finals and final on the C.R.C. courts, the former on Saturday, December 15, and the latter on Sunday, December 16.

BILLIARDS

ST. PATRICK'S BEAT CATHOLIC UNION

At St. Patrick's Club, Garden-road, on Thursday night a return billiards match was played between pupils of that club and representatives of the Catholic Union Club.

Six matches were played, and each side won three, but when the scores were added up, St. Patrick's ran out winners by the narrow margin of 2 points. The totals were St. Patrick's 1,032; Catholic Union 1,030.

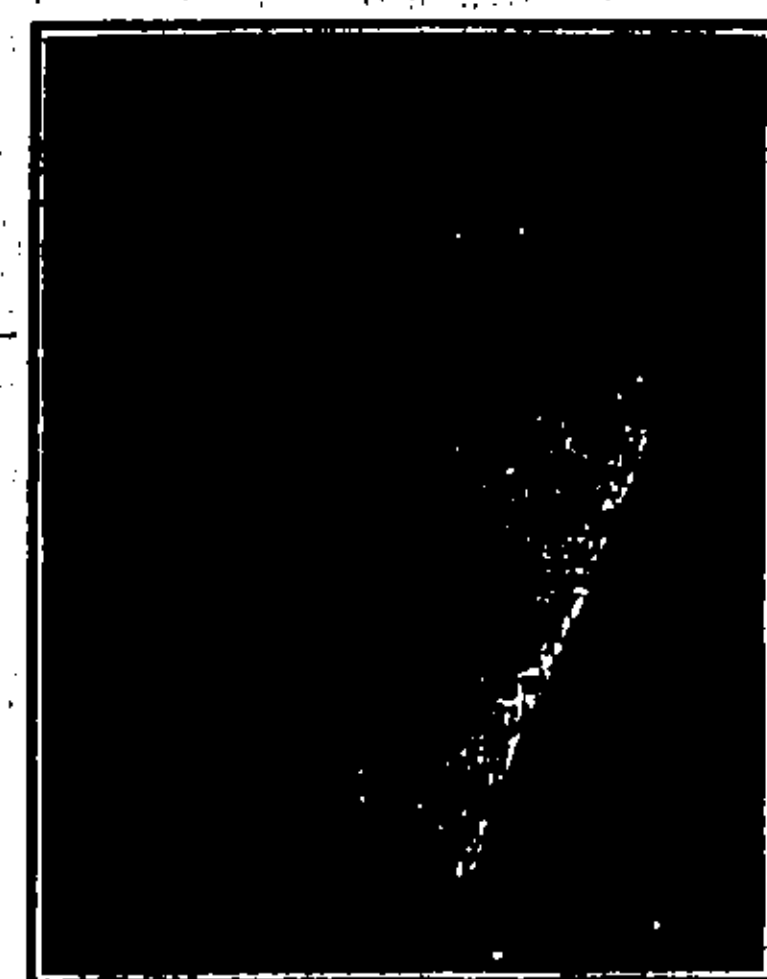
The highest break of the evening was 47 compiled by A. A. Rodriguez, a Catholic Union player.

140 DEGREES "HOT"

WALKING JOURNALISTS' EXPERIENCE

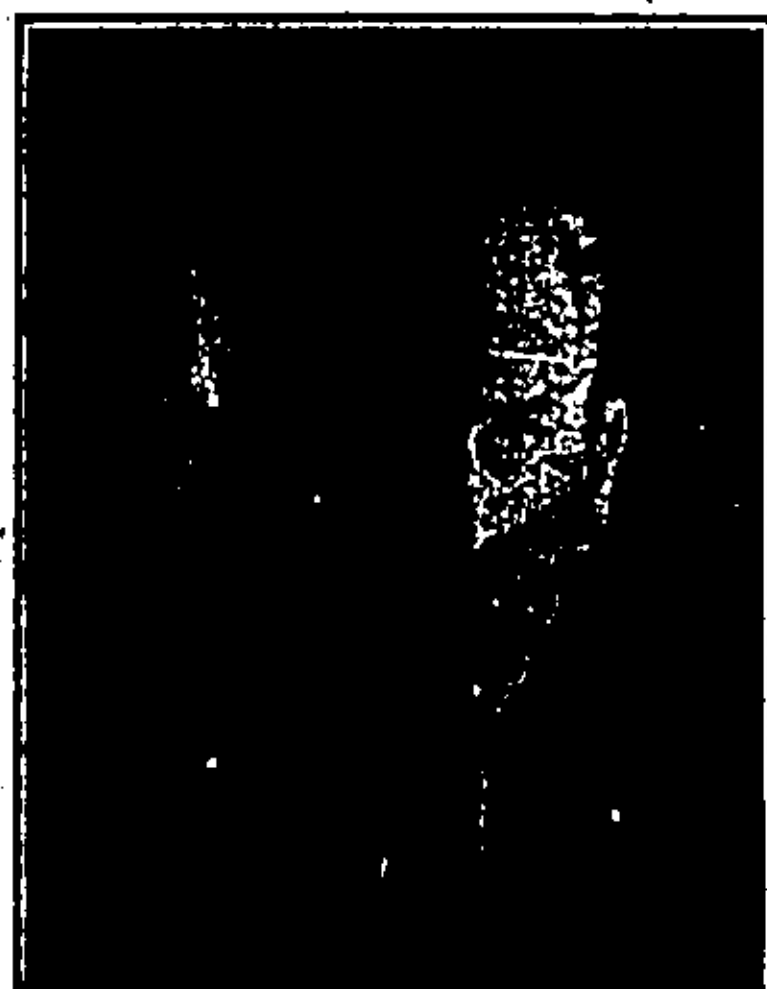
\$30 FOR MOTOR-BUS RIDE

Two Czech-Slovakian journalists, on a tour around the world in order to gain a comprehensive knowledge of geographical features of the different countries, paid \$30 each for a seat in a motor-bus for a one and a half days' journey through the desert of Iraq where no other white man was encountered.



Tulka Karel

ed; but they obtained the autograph of King Feisal.
The travellers are Formanek Jaroslav of the "Ring" and Tulka Karel of "Press Service," both of Prague. Their call on the "China Mail" synchronised with the publication of a new portrait of President Masaryk of Czech-Slovakia, who also autographed their book. They are staying here a week.
While passing through the Persian Gulf, the temperature was around 140 degrees! Singapore,



Formanek Jaroslav

which has a reputation of having a hot climate, the two young men found to be "nothing in comparison."

Their experiences to date have been interesting and it will be another year before they set out for Prague again, from which they set out in April. Among their collections is an album of photos with which they hope to write a book describing their experiences.

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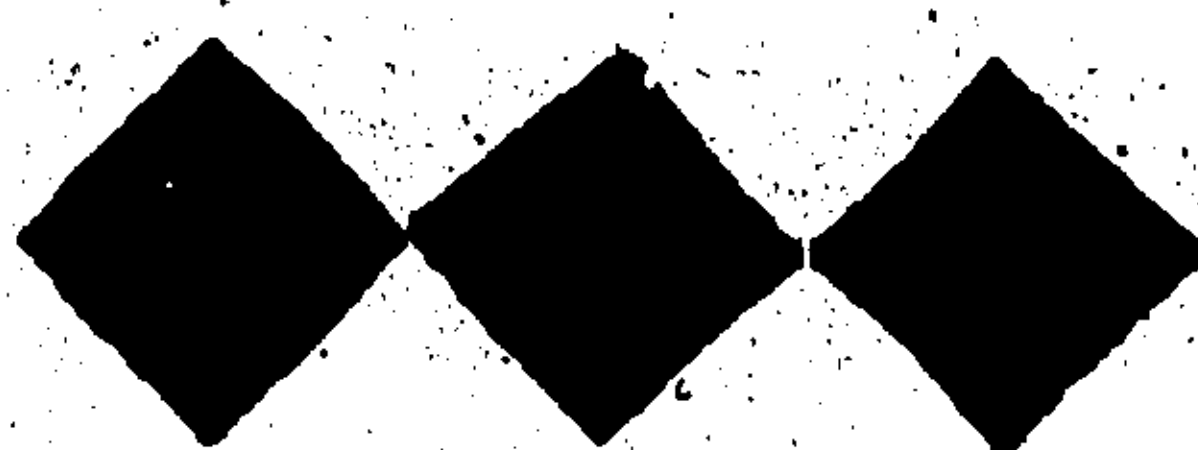
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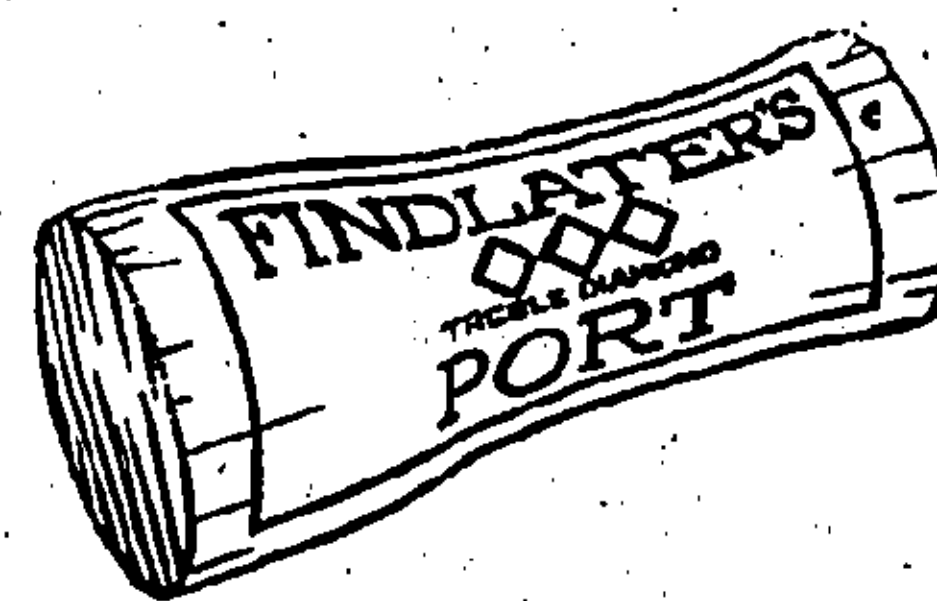
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Estelle Taylor, the former screen actress, who complains of too much attention by undertakers—and Pressmen.

13th Marriage Venture



Above, Aimee Crocker Gouraud, who has had eleven husbands one after the other. Below, left, her daughter, Yvonne, who is to marry in Paris, as a second venture, the millionaire theatrical magnate, Frank Keeney, seen on right.

Norwegian Heavyweight



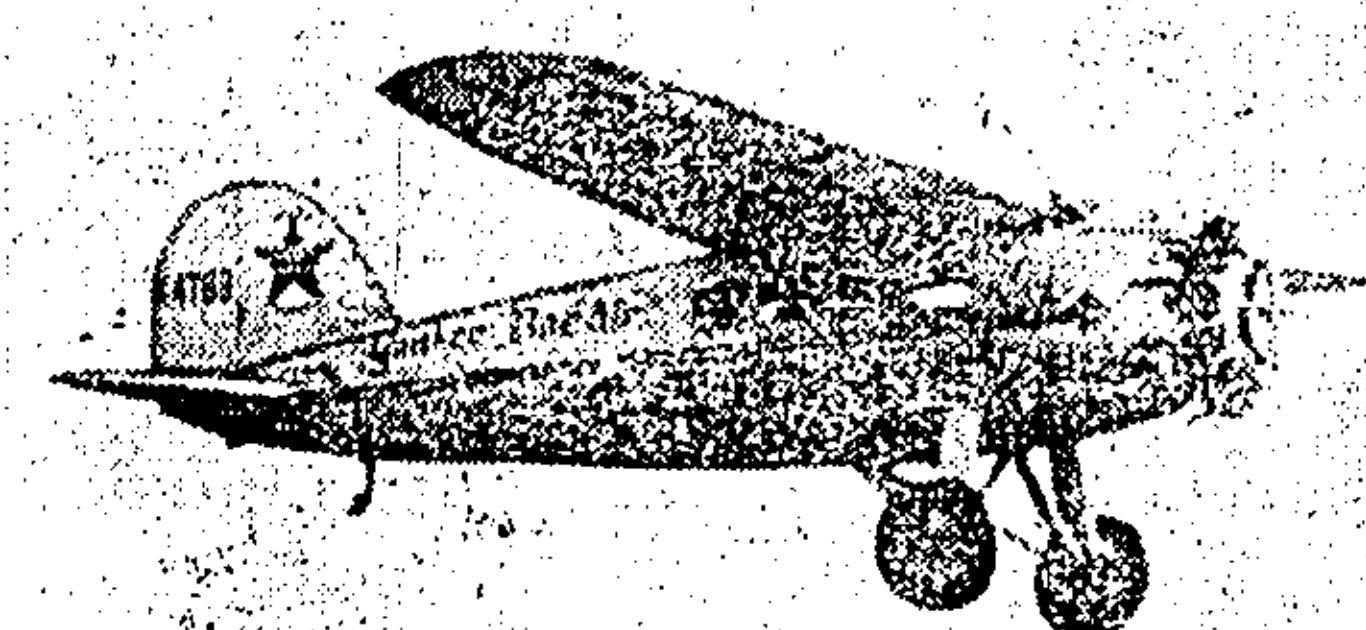
Otto Von Porat, the Norwegian heavyweight prize-fighter, during his training for the bout with Paulino Uzcudun.

Peter Pan Fame



Betty Bronson, the film star.

Crashed!



The aeroplane "Yankee Doodle" before it crashed to earth in an attempt on the trans-Continent record.

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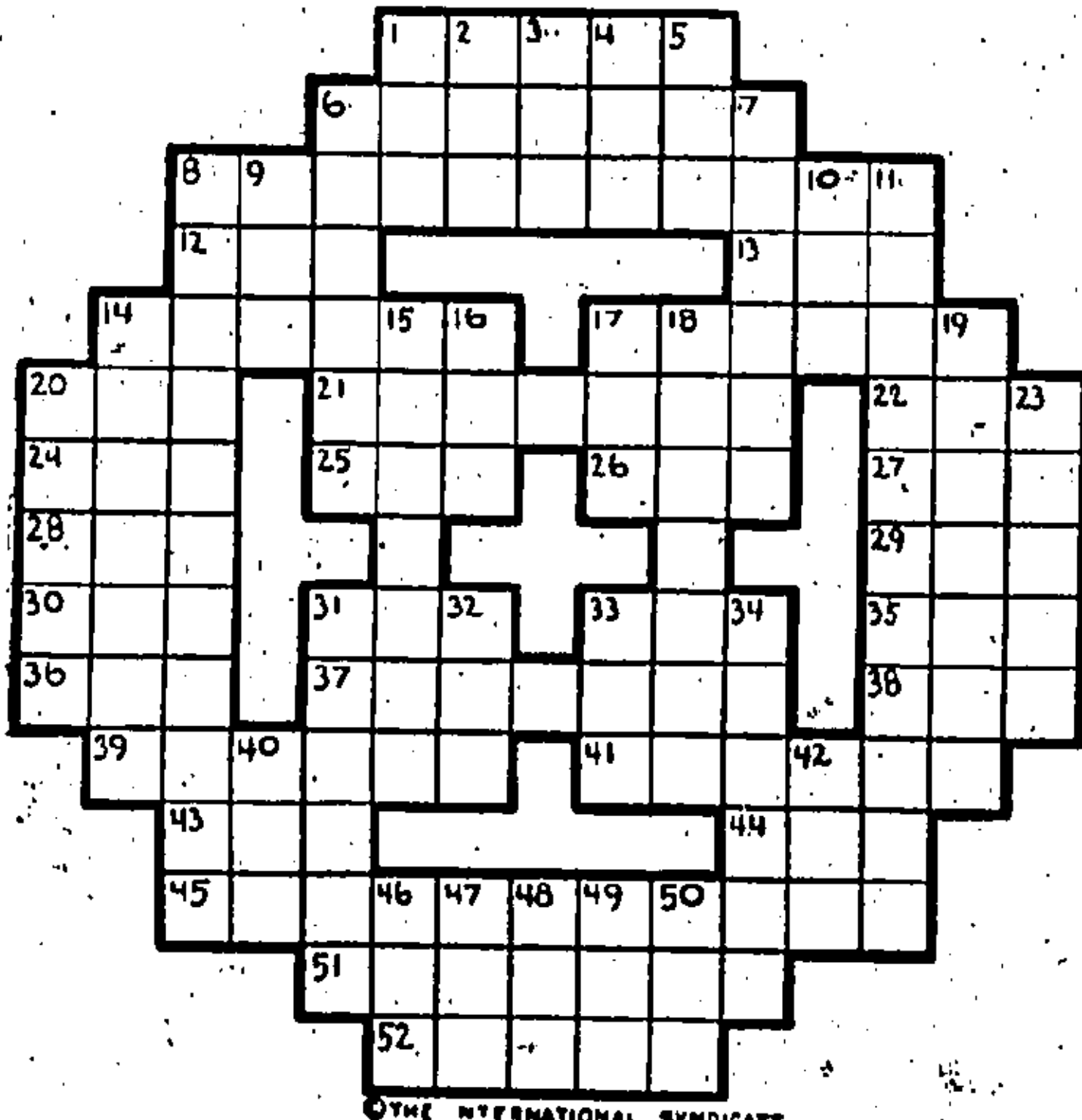
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altar.)



THE INTERNATIONAL SYNDICATE

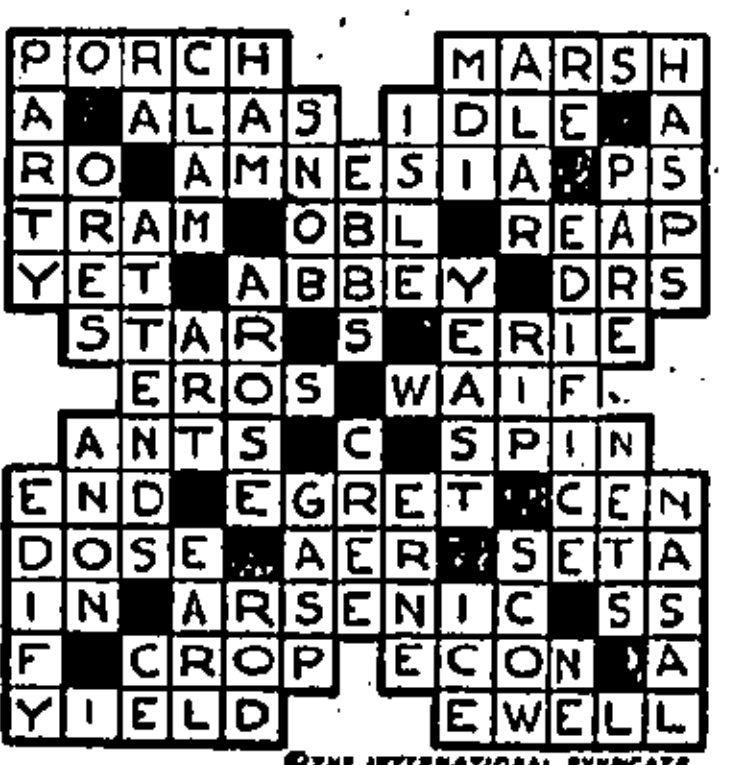
HORIZONTAL
1-Cruising death of destruction
6-Restaurant where dancing and vaudeville are features
8-Grand jury action
12-Raised border
13-Dry thoroughly
14-Revels constituted authority
17-Circumstances
20-Environ
21-Roman god of the sea
22-Practice the use of needle and thread
24-Member of an Indian tribe
25-River in Scotland
28-Fly that stings cattle
27-A pastry
29-Destroy by violence
30-Suffix denoting office or function
31-Prefix meaning "threefold"

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
31-French for "salt"
32-Franc
33-Imbibe in small quantities
34-Fixed
37-Small ornament
38-French for "lie"
39-Freest from danger
41-Calls forth
43-Forty cubic feet in ship measurement
44-Nominal value
45-Open earth-cuttings
51-More grievous
52-To guide one's course
VERTICAL
1-Fellow of the Antiquarian Society (abbr.)
2-Diminutive of masculine name
3-Best
4-Artifice
5-Abbreviated form of boy's name
6-To cohere
7-Tormented

VERTICAL (Cont.)
8-Conceive beforehand
9-Ship's timber
10-Insect egg
11-Those who intrude
14-Withdraws from business life
15-Tendons
16-Explore by secret methods
17-Insect
18-Passed into law
19-Gods and goddesses
20-Injuries
23-Sheds tears
31-Offensive odor
32-French for "bad"
33-Boy's name (shortened)
34-Lethargy
40-Animal
42-To be able
46-Money (Roman Antia)
47-Tub used in tanning
48-Salutation
49-Make equal scores
50-Suffix. One who

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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[Quaint Survivals of Old London Customs, by H. E. Popham, Cecil Palmer Press.]

Four middle-aged and well-to-do cronies foregather in London and interest themselves in the origins of many of the quaint customs and ceremonies peculiar to the metropolis. Taverns, churches, schools, guilds and charities are in turn investigated. The pooled researches form the substance of the book. The picturesque ceremonies connected with the Lord Mayor's Show, the Election of the Sheriffs, the State Entry of the Sovereign into the City make pleasant reading and forcibly remind one of the reverence still paid to precedent. To one born within the sound of Bow Bells the excursions into lesser known regions of the civic history of London should prove fascinating. The whimsicalities of various London benefactors will amuse a wider public. What queer fancy, one wonders, was responsible for the clause in the will of one, Abraham Colfe, directing that he was to be interred in a little vault of free stones, and that over it was to be placed a plank on which the parishioners might take their ease before going into the church? Humour of a grave form, surely. The book is in the conversational style and a light touch is added by the interlarding of the love story of a most proper and old-fashioned, middle-aged gentleman.

—J. C.

"MOVIE" FLAVOUR

[Stone Blunts Scissors, by Gerrard, Fairlie, Hodder & Stoughton.]

A story full of action from start to finish; the sort of book one does not want to put down and pick up to continue later. This is a modern, present day mystery story, with a sufficient number of characters taking part to make it interesting without distracting from the main part played by the hero and heroine. As the title suggests, it is the dogged persistence and patience of the very British sleuth, Victor Caryl, which eventually track down and win the day over an extremely clever and dangerous criminal. One admires Caryl for his pluck and perseverance in the face of difficulties and even death, but one also cannot help having a sneaking regard for some of the qualities possessed by the villain, who is a weird combination of "Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde." He shows generosity and kindness towards his "adopted daughter," whom he uses as a tool in his evil work; he also has a keen sense of humour, but his brutality and fiendish cruelty more than outweigh whatever virtues he may possess.

It is not till one has read about half the book that one suspects that the millionaire American, visiting Paris with his beautiful daughter, Patricia, has something to do with the mysterious kidnapper, who extorts huge sums of money from his victims or their relatives. The real identity of the villain is cleverly disguised, so that one's curiosity is piqued, and one's interest held right to the last.

The superstitious reader will take warning after reading this yarn, for it is through the frequent use of the colour green, to which the villain is addicted, that he is tracked down, and his cleverly thought-out plans are destroyed.

The romantic element is supplied by the beautiful "daughter" of the millionaire, aided by the hero who, though very busy crook hunting, finds time to let his interest in the girl, grow to something deeper. After Patricia learns the truth as to the nature of her "father's" business and source of wealth, she risks her life to aid those who are working against him, though at the last she remembers his kindness to her in the past and rushes to warn him that the game is up, knowing that by doing so, she may lose the love which she had just found in the hero.

A neat compliment is paid to the British by the fact that though the events of the story took place in France and the Surete employ their best men in trying to solve the mystery, the lead is given to the Englishman, Caryl. There are some tense moments towards the close of the story, but perhaps some of the "stunts" performed by the hero are a little overdone and have a "movie" flavour. At the same time we can recommend this book as very well worth reading and also as a congenial way of passing a few hours.

—C.

TRAVELS IN HOPE

[By James Milne. Drawings in Colour, by Donald Maxwell. (Hodder and Stoughton, 12/6 net).]

This is a very handsome volume, charmingly written and beautifully illustrated. Mr. Milne is a lucky man in being under two influences—Wanderlust and R. L. Stevenson—which give him such joy. It is evident that he loves travelling and jotting down his impressions. Time and again throughout this delightful book do we come across a Stevensonian phrase or piece of philosophy used not in a plagiaristic way but quite naturally. We feel sure that the writing of these twenty two vignettes gave great pleasure to the author. A beautiful and sympathetic piece of writing on "The Cenotaph" which he calls "The Heart of the Empire" prepares the reader for a feast of good things. Mr. Milne then discourses like a city lover about Piccadilly, Bond-street, and Harley-street; like an angler about the Highlands; like a huntsman about Devon; and like Mr. Galsworthy about a Cornishman. He then takes us to Brussels where rather too much time is spent in locating the hall where the famous dance on the eve of Waterloo was held, then on to dear delightful naughty Paris, after which we breathe the clear air and view the blue sky and sea of the Riviera. Rome, Naples, and Capri are then visited and diagnosed. After hearing about the attractions of Vienna, Prague and Buda we expect to be transferred to Athens or Constantinople but no: our author suddenly flies across the Mediterranean to Tunisia and gives us an Ethen-like description of the desert. He then dashes across the Atlantic and, as if to show the catholicity of his taste, takes us first of all to comfortable old-fashioned polite French-speaking Quebec "old and coloured by the centuries" and then to hectic, breathless, rushing, hustling New York with its sky-scrapers and cafeterias.

To the intimate little essays on each place piquancy is given by a few Puckish remarks on the local ladies: as the author says: "The human hall-marks of a capital town are its women: how they look, how they comport themselves, how they dress." But the main charm of the book lies in the fact that the author seems to take us with him not as a professional guide but as one who knows and who has caught the atmosphere of each place visited. He loves London as if he had been born within the sound of Bow Bells, the Highlands as if he were a Gael, Devon and Cornwall as if he came from the South-West etc.

Donald Maxwell's beautiful paintings deserve a special word of praise and add a finishing touch to a well-written and handsomely-bound volume.

MOSTLY CHATTER

[The Darkest Spot, by Lee Thayer, Hurst and Blackett.]

It has often been observed that the darkest spot is nearest to the flame of the candle. Knowing this, Mr. Thayer packs plenty of dark blurs round his flame to confuse the reader who is ambitious to pick the right one. The facts are that a dissolute young nephew has a flat next door to his rich aunt, and a key to her safe. She is found strangled; but a mysterious old man also lives nearby, and he gets himself suspected. Then a nice girl also gets mixed up in the plot, and a urbane family doctor, a lady's maid, and several friends of the deceased. The police imagine stupidly that it is a simple case, but a red-haired detective named Clancy steps into the breach. Incidentally, a little girl who dresses as a boy and sells newspapers has a say in it all. A good shocker in its way, but atrociously written, being nearly all conversation.

THE PERILS OF PETER

[East All the Way, by J. G. Lockhart, Ernest Benn, Ltd.]

Best known as a writer on the sea and its mysteries and perils, J. G. Lockhart has swallowed the anchor in his latest work, and produced an excellent, if improbable, tale of mystery and adventure by land. There is something doing all the time, from the moment when an Armenian, in a frock coat and yellow boots, with a cypher in his pocket, appeared in Fyrd St. Mary's, to be stabbed to death in the rectory grounds; till Veronica Garstin whispers "Peter, it's you dear; it never was anyone but you!" In between Peter and the Garstons go from Somerset to Palestine; and the Ark of the Covenant hidden in a cave, lose it in a flood, and have a lively time with Bolsheviks and crooks. The hero is an Oxford man, and the arch-villain went to Cambridge. Which is as it should be.

ELDON'S EDUCATION

[The Schools of England, edited by J. Dover Wilson, with a preface by Lord Eustace Percy, Sidgwick and Jackson.]

It is recorded that Lord Eldon earned his degree at Oxford in 1770 by answering two questions, one in Hebrew and one in history. They were: (1) What is the Hebrew for the place of a skull? (2) Who founded University College? As he gave the right answers to both questions, he passed with honours. Dr. Wilson quotes this story in the introduction to the book which various experts have written on education in England, yet he expresses no regret for the spacious days which have so long since passed away. The impression left is that education is now a thing of great and growing complexity.

TWO THAT LOVED

[Diana and David, by Cecil Roberts, Hodder and Stoughton.]

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[Collected Poems of Arthur Conan Doyle, Murray.]

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Of true wood, of yew-wood,
The wood of English bows;
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And the land where the yew-tree grows.

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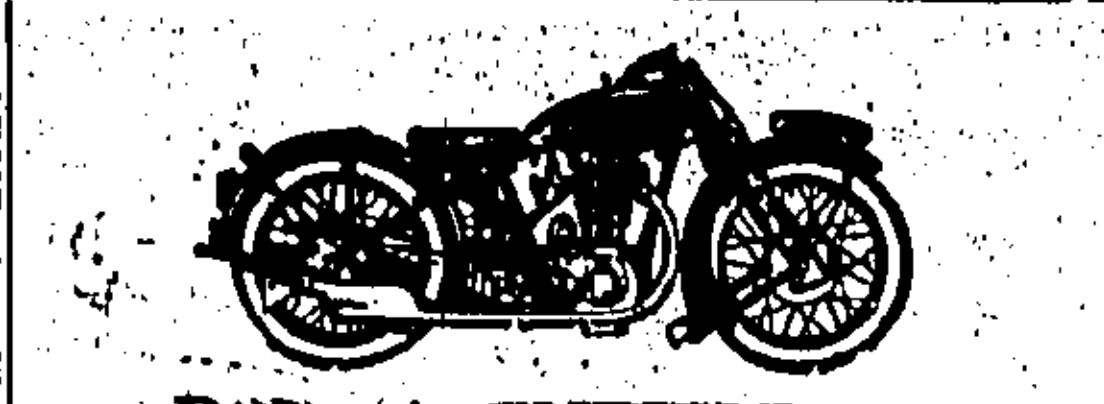


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Straits	9.	Kashima Maru
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.		
Manilla	10.	President Cleveland
Shanghai & Amoy		Linan.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11.		
Shanghai & Amoy	11.	Philoctetes.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12.		
Straits	12.	Namsang
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Japan		Ginyo Maru

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For	Per	
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8.		
Fort Bayard	2.30 p.m.	Wing Lee
Saigon	2.30 p.m.	Tai Fook Sing
Straits, Mombasa, L. Marques and South Africa		
Sam Shui and Wuchow	3.30 p.m.	Wakasa Maru
Manilla	4.30 p.m.	Tai Ming
Wei Hai Wei	4.30 p.m.	President Madison
Sandakan	5 p.m.	Yusan
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9.		
Bangkok via Swatow	9 a.m.	Havdrot
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	9 a.m.	Kagan
MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.		
Shanghai and Japan	10.30 a.m.	Canton Maru
Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa via Singapore		
Saigon, Straits, Mauritius and S. Africa	10.30 a.m.	Kashima Maru
Swatow	1.30 p.m.	Andes Maru
Swatow	2.30 p.m.	Tinhov
Bangkok via Swatow	2.30 p.m.	Hydrangea
Saigon	2.30 p.m.	Michael Jensen
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 31st Dec. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia		President Cleveland
Letters 6 p.m.		President Cleveland
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11.		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 4th Jan., 1929 and Europe via Siberia. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	1 p.m.	Siberia Maru
Straits, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th Jan., 1929. K.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.		Halyang
		Diomed

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COLONY'S FINANCIAL POSITION

REVENUE IS HIGHER MORE INTERNAL REVENUE AND LAND SALES

\$9½ MILLIONS BALANCE

Consistency is being maintained by the Colony's finances. The latest returns published are those for the month of August, principal features being:-

Revenue for the month up on last year.
Expenditure for the month down on last year.
Revenue for the first eight months of 1928 higher than that of corresponding period in 1927 by over two million dollars.
Expenditure in Jan. to Aug. 1928 higher than expenditure in Jan. to Aug. 1927 by nearly half a million dollars.

Some comparative figures are given herewith (omitting odd cents):-

	Revenue	1928	1927
August	1,831,937.	1,655,947.	
Jan./Aug.	15,432,804.	13,246,403.	
Expenditure			
August	1,448,685.	1,680,493.	
Jan./Aug.	12,919,768.	12,459,498.	
Assets and Liabilities			
The balance in hand on Aug. 31, 1928 was \$6,498,807.19. Total assets were \$14,464,263.31, the biggest items in which are:-			
Outstanding Trade Union \$4,965,871.63. Subsidiary coin \$2,038,481.93. Balance at Banks \$1,890,000.00. Investments \$1,279,851.69. Crown Agents Deposit account \$1,237,113.42.			
Liabilities amount to \$7,955,456.12, the biggest item being \$4,310,543.68, being overdraft, Bank Trade Loan.			

On the revenue side, Licences and Internal Revenue "not otherwise specified" account for an increase of nearly a million dollars in the first eight months of this year, and Land Sales for nearly \$800,000.

"TOM JONES"

FURTHER DETAILS OF SPARKLING OPERA

THE "PHIL'S" BIG EFFORT

It has been asserted, and with some degree of force, that the libretto which Messrs. A. M. Thompson and Robert Courtneidge founded on "Tom Jones," the famous novel by Henry Fielding, reflects but faintly the spirit of that masterpiece of fiction and that their plot would have passed muster under any other name. Granting that such is the case, there is another important factor to be considered; the English public has a great fondness for the familiar, and although not five per cent. will have read the novel the name of Tom Jones has an intimate sound and makes a direct appeal to the imagination.

The local public will have an opportunity of judging the merits of the novel and the libretto when the opera is produced by the Philharmonic Society at the Theatre Royal next Friday and on other nights during the following week. One of the most notable departures made from the book is the toning down of the coarser features of the age. The story has been so well arranged that it is well adapted to musical treatment. "Tom Jones" love for Sophia, her flight from the paternal roof, the hero's lapse with the fascinating Lady Bellaston, the reconciliation at Ranelagh Gardens and the promise of conjugal happiness for the youthful lovers are set forth with that sense of clearness which is so necessary in comic opera.

The composer was Mr. Edward German, warmly sympathetic with the old English school of musicians and possessing a natural aptitude for reproducing their characteristic melodies. Mr. German's distinct vein of originality is pleasingly in evidence throughout the whole of the opera. To this indispensable quality is added that of consummate musicianship which will be obvious to the most superficial if they give but passing attention to the art of part writing and orchestration.

Bar-Haunting Refrain
Mr. German has undoubtedly given of his best in the first act.

\$5000 FOR HONG KONG LOST ON WAY

WAR-OFFICE MONEY

MYSTERY OF TREASURY NOTES FROM LONDON

WRITTEN OFF THE ACCOUNT

London, Yesterday.

The consignment of Treasury notes worth \$5,000 which was lost in transit between London and Hong Kong has been written off as a loss in the Profit & Loss section of the Treasury Chest Account for 1927 issued to-day.—Reuter.

[Note: This is no concern of the Hong Kong Government. The Treasury Chest Account is under the control of the War Office. In the South China Command, Hong Kong, there is a Command Paymaster. A Financial Adviser and Local Auditor is attached to the South and North China Commands.]

BANK NOTES

Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended November 30, 1928, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks are as follow:-

Banks	Average Amount.	Specie In Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$15,066,964	\$5,900,000*
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	45,300,433	34,000,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.	1,772,610	660,000‡
Total	\$32,140,007	40,560,000

* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,232,100.
† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at \$2,993,202.
‡ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$180,000.

The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India Limited against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 5 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911):-

Security	Amount	Latest mkt. price.
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5½% Treasury Bonds repayable at 100 in 1930\$180,000 101 - 101½

RUBBER

With London stocks reported by a further 1,470 tons (making present stocks in hand of 18,724 tons) the price of rubber has remained very steady.

The continued steadiness in the price of rubber has led to a better enquiry for shares. Sellers, however, are difficult to locate.

Present quotations are:-	
Ayer Panas	\$6.20
Balgownie	1.60
Glensale	1.50
Kuala Sidim	3.00
Kundonge	2.10
Kedah	3.10
Lunas	1.65
New Serendahs	2.85
Perak Rivers	1.60

Indeed outside the sphere of abstract music he has written nothing better. The trio "Wisdom says," the septette "The Barley Mow," the madrigal "Here's a paradox for lovers," with the brilliant finale which contains that haunting refrain "For aye my love," provide a musical treat of the very high order. And it has the further advantage of being as attractive to the man in the street as it has to the connoisseur.

In the second act, Mr. German has been less prodigal of his part music but such an excellent number as the trio "Let's be merry" would redeem the act from any charge of mediocrity even if it had a less effective finale. The bacchanale "Beguile, beguile" in the last act is another number which will probably call for special mention in the local production, while it will also be seen that Mr. German has not been unmindful of the demands of soloists.

BRITAIN IN NORTH CHINA

WEIHAIWEI TO-DAY

COLONIAL OFFICE REPORT ON RENDITION

PROTECTION FOR MILLIONS

London, Yesterday.

The Colonial Office has issued a report on Wei-hai-wei which with the surrounding area in Shantung province is held by Great Britain on lease.

The report shows how this area has been exempt from the horrors undergone by millions of people of the province.

In 1927, Wei-hai-wei became a haven of refuge for numerous Chinese in eastern Shantung who found the conditions in their own districts intolerable owing not only to banditry but also to the capacity and misgovernment of their own officials.

Port Edward

Chinese merchants in Chefoo and other places who could not carry on business on account of ruthless extortion practised by local authorities entered British territory and opened business in Port Edward with the consequence that that port entered upon a period of prosperity and activity that it never knew in former years.

The report says that it is estimated that the wealth and population of Port Edward have doubled in five years and if present political conditions in Shantung province remain unchanged, it is more than probable the next five years will show a further equally remarkable advance.

Stipulations

Chinese inhabitants make no attempt to disguise their hope that the British flag may long continue to afford them that peace and protection which they know they could not hope to obtain under the present government of Shantung. It may be recalled that Great Britain decided at the Washington Conference to restore Wei-hai-wei to China but the stipulations which were then attached to retrocession have not yet been fulfilled.—British Wireless Service.

EVANGELISM

REVIVAL MEETINGS AT YAUMATI

BAND PARTICIPATING

On Sunday, in Peniel Mission hall, 90 Portland St., Yaumati, Rev. G. W. Ridout, of Asbury College, Kentucky, assisted by an Evangelistic Band from Shanghai will conduct services at 11 a.m. 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dr. Ridout preaches in English and is being interpreted by a Chinese preacher. An invitation is extended to English-speaking people to come and enjoy these revival services.

Dr. Ridout is a Methodist minister from U.S.A. and has many years of experience in revival work. Last year he and Mrs. Ridout held meetings in London. After finishing his Chinese engagements he will conduct meetings in Singapore and India.

GERMANY'S NOTE

BRITAIN CONSIDERING FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S SUGGESTIONS

London, Yesterday.

The British Government yesterday received the French Government's suggestions for a draft reply to be sent to the German note of October 30 in connection with the setting up of a committee of experts to inquire into a complete and definite settlement of the reparations problem. These suggestions, which have been made in the light of the views of other Governments recently communicated to M. Poincare, are now being carefully considered by the appropriate departments of the British Government.—British Wireless Service.

Lodger at Bow: My landlord and his family morning, noon, and night sing "Old soldiers never die; they fade away."

Mr. Oswald, the West London coroner: Swimming is more useful for boys than learning to play the piano.

A PICTURE WORTHY OF ITS STAR!



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